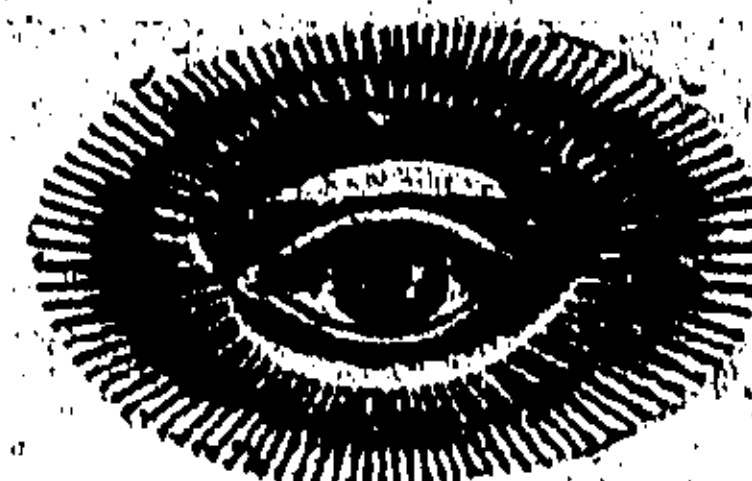


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CLOUDS LIFTING?

Agreement Reached Regarding Hankow.

AWAITING SIGNATURE.

Troops From Home to Remain at Hong Kong?

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

Foreign Secretary Reviews The Problem in China.

Announcement was made in the House of Commons yesterday by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Sir Austen Chamberlain, that agreement has been reached between the Nationalist Foreign Minister and the British Legation representative regarding the Hankow Concession.

Sir Austen Chamberlain explained that if this agreement were signed, the first troops from India, which were already on their way to Shanghai, would be landed in the Settlement, which he was advised was immediately necessary to safeguard British lives, but the further troops coming from England and the Mediterranean, would be concentrated at Hong Kong, and would not proceed to Shanghai unless they also were required there by a fresh or greater danger.

Sir Austen Chamberlain added that the British Government could not take responsibility for safety of the lives of its nationals in Shanghai out of the hands of the men on the spot. These men were not only best able to judge of what the danger was, but they alone were in a position to judge.

THE WAY OUT.

Agreement Over Hankow
Concession.

London, Feb. 10.

Sir Austen Chamberlain announced in the House of Commons that the resumed negotiations at Hankow between the Nationalist Foreign Minister, Mr. Eugene Chen, and the British Legation representative, Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley, had resulted in agreement concerning the Concession providing that the Concession will be returned to the British Municipal Council who would formally hand it over to a Chinese and British Municipal Council modelled on that already existing in the former German Concession.

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China's Duty.

Rugby, Feb. 10.

"The words which I have used," said Sir Austen Chamberlain in the House of Commons, have already been telegraphed to Mr. O'Malley for communication to Mr. Chen. They are the endeavour of the British Government to satisfy Mr. Chen, and to remove misapprehensions while having due regard for warnings which we have received as to the danger at Shanghai and having due regard to our paramount duty recognised everywhere throughout this House to protect British lives.

"I cannot predict future. The course of the negotiations is always uncertain. It is doubly uncertain, perhaps, where, as in this case, they are carried on, not confidentially, but in the presence of all the world.

"We have acted without any delay, and with all the expedition that was possible. I hope that not only is peace secured but a new and better understanding of British aims and purposes may spread among the Chinese people, that they may see we have no purpose hostile, that we have no desire to keep them in a state of subjection or tutelage or inferiority, and that we shall rejoice as they develop their institutions so that they may discharge to the full the obligations of every civilised government to foreigners within their gates, and may relieve us of privileges so-called which have become burdensome, and of the obligations which it ought to be the duty of the Chinese authorities themselves to enforce and protect—British Wireless Service.

SEVERE REPROOF.

Foreign Secretary Speaks
Out.

London, Feb. 10.

The debate on China opened in the House of Commons by Mr. C. P. Trevelyan (Labour) moving an amendment to the reply to the address from the Throne. Mr. Trevelyan expressed the opinion that as far as the Canton Government was concerned we were dealing with a reasonable people. It was unfortunate that we had not tried to come to agreement with the reasonable Chinese leaders before embarking on a military demonstration which was frustrating the better ends we

SHANGHAI DEFENCE.

Arrival of American
Marines.

Shanghai, Feb. 11.

Two hundred and fifty American marines arrived in Shanghai this morning from Manila on board the U.S. Transport "Tecos".—Reuter's Pacific Service.

had in view, had temporarily destroyed the chance of a negotiated settlement and increased the dangers to British subjects in other parts of China.

Mr. Trevelyan thought it a tragedy because Sir Austen Chamberlain had come so near to success with the goodwill of everybody. Then in came this expedition, making it impossible to succeed until we retracted the decision.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, who was received with Ministerial cheers, said that Mr. Trevelyan might be speaking for the back Benchers but his attitude was very different from that of his Front Bench colleagues like Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. J. H. Thomas.

Sir Austen Chamberlain thought the policies of Mr. MacDonald and the Government were not far apart, but Mr. Trevelyan had used language which would not make the Government's task easier, nor contribute to a peaceful solution. It might be taken elsewhere as an encouragement to refuse a settlement. Sir Austen Chamberlain expressed the opinion that if there had been no such encouragement in the past a settlement might even now have been reached.

He said that the first object of the present Government on taking office was to endeavour cordially to co-operate with the other Powers interested in China, especially the United States and Japan.

Our first efforts had been to secure a meeting of the Tariff Conference and the competition of the Washington Agreement.

We had sometimes sacrificed our own views of what was wisest and best in a desire to secure harmony and result, but the conference petered out because there was no Chinese Government with which any longer to negotiate.

WORLD COURT.

America And Rest of The
World.

STRONG PRESS COMMENT.

New York, Feb. 10.

A message from Washington says that the State Department has announced that Britain and two others have rejected the American reservations for the World Court.

The "New York Times" remarks: "Our Government may think it can get on without the League or the World Court, but the rest of the world doesn't."

The paper warns the people against a spirit of foolish self-sufficiency.

The "World" says that if the country had a President and State Department willing to "labour earnestly towards a compromise between America and the rest of the world on the interpretation of the fifth reservation all the difficulties and the barriers might be removed.—Reuter's American Service.

Attack on Hankow.

Sir Austen Chamberlain traced the Government steps, before the decision to send troops, beginning with December, when a manifesto, which considering its tone and temper was sent, not inappropriately, the day after Christmas.

He pointed out that Sir Miles Lampson, the newly appointed Minister to Peking, stopped first in the South, and opened conversations with Mr. Eugene Chen, and it was understood between them that either Sir Miles Lampson or Mr. O'Malley would be sent to Hankow to resume the conversations. It was at that stage the attack upon the Settlement at Hankow took place.

Sir Austen Chamberlain claimed to review the incidents as a whole in order to bring out the full gravity of the menace to British life disclosed therein, and showed how patiently and earnestly we sought peace, notwithstanding singular perils and grave provocations. (Cheers.)

Sir Austen Chamberlain reviewed the events at Shanghai, Canton and Hankow, and the trade boycott in similar terms to those of his Birmingham speech. He said that he would not refer to the Wansien incident, firstly because that was not an incident between the British and the authority of the National Government, and, secondly, he was glad to say our relations with the authorities at Wansien had been peaceful and friendly now.

British "Offence."

Sir Austen Chamberlain outlined the stages of the negotiations with Mr. Eugene Chen. He explained that the negotiations continued after Jan. 24 when the movement of troops was known to Mr. Chen.

The agreement was ready for signature on Jan. 30, but Mr. Chen's statement to the Press that the Nationalists could not conclude an agreement while troops were concentrating at

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Cross-Word Puzzle Clue
Correction.

Attention is drawn to a small correction that has been made to-day to one of the clues in the \$50 cross-word puzzle. Clue No. 3 down, instead of Royal Scottish Society (abbrev.), should read Royal Scottish Academy (abbrev.). The two clues give the same result, but the new one is more precise.

Shanghai was published on Feb. 1, while some days later Mr. Chen objected that we were consenting to negotiating on the same terms the same offer with Peking.

In other words the British offence was not that they would not treat with the Cantonese but that they would not treat exclusively with them and make ourselves party to the internal faction fighting.

Thereafter the negotiations were resumed and we had now reached a point at which as regards the Concession we were in agreement.

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BACK TO SEA.

"Sunning" in Service
Again.

CAPTAIN PRINGLE PLEASED.

Exactly three months after the piracy of the vessel in Bias Bay and the epic exploit of a mere handful of British mercantile marine officers in re-capturing the ship, the Butterfield and Swire steamer, "Sunning" is due to sail from Hong Kong to Shanghai to-morrow morning.

Interviewed by the "China Mail," Captain James Pringle, the master of the vessel, stated that he was "mighty glad" to get back to sea. "I can't tell you just what it has felt like kicking one's heels in this place for three months," continued the gallant hero of the "Sunning," who went on to say that to-day he would be appearing before the Commission of Inquiry and that he hoped most sincerely that "that would be the end of it."

Asked whether he would have the same officers as previously, Captain Pringle stated that certain changes were necessary. In the first place, both the Chief Officer and the 2nd Officer would have to stay behind in Hong Kong to give evidence in the case now being held at the Central Magistrate's Court and also before the Commission of Inquiry. The Chief Engineer, Mr. John McCormack, had already been transferred to another ship and is at present in Shanghai.

A Gross Slander.

Questioned as to whether there was any truth in the rumours that some members of the crew had been dismissed by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire as a sequel to the piracy, Captain Pringle replied most emphatically, and with an air of pronounced indignation, "Certainly not. I should very much like to know who is responsible for the gross slanders that have been going about the place. Why man, B. & S. is the finest

COOLIES STRIKE.

Several Steamers Delayed At
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Colombo, Feb. 10.

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Captain Pringle went on to say that Messrs. Butterfield and Swire had made a present of £100 to each of the four junior officers, who had lost his kit in the fire. "Do you think that is compatible with the action of a firm alleged to have dismissed their officers as a result of the piracy?"

Questioned with regard to his own losses, Captain Pringle stated that fortunately he had been fully insured, although his policy had cost him £40. His chief loss, other than personal effects and papers, was a chronometer, for which he had paid £48 and a sextant costing \$37.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Till noon to-morrow, the official weather forecast for all local districts is as follows:—N. E. winds moderate; fair.

At 11 a.m. to-day the Observatory reported:—

Pressure has decreased slightly over China and increased from S. Manchuria to S. W. Japan. It is nearly stationary elsewhere.

The anticyclone has weakened and is moving eastward.

Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day: barometer 30.18; temperature 54; humidity 72; wind E.; force 3; weather overcast.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/0 9/16.

SMALLER NAVIES.

President Coolidge's
Proposals.

EARLY STEPS URGED.

Washington, Feb. 10.

President Coolidge, in a message to Congress, says that he has instructed the United States Ambassadors at London, Paris, Rome and Tokyo to-day to present to those Governments a Memorandum suggesting that they empower their delegates at the forthcoming meeting of the preparatory commission for the disarmament conference at Geneva to negotiate and conclude at an early date, an agreement for further limiting naval armament, supplementing the Washington Treaty and covering classes of vessels not covered by that treaty.

The message says that far-reaching building programmes have been laid down by certain Powers and there appeared to be in the United States as well as aboard a sentiment urging naval construction on the ground that such construction was occurring elsewhere. In such sentiments lies the germ of renewed naval competition.

The Memorandum says that the complexities and difficulties brought out by the discussions of the preparatory commission clearly indicated that the final solution of the problem of armaments may not be immediately practicable.

The American Government is most anxious that concrete results in the limitation of armaments may be achieved.

A number of Governments consider that one of the chief present obstacles to a general reduction in the limitation of armaments lies in the interdependence of land, sea and air armaments.

The American Government believes that these difficulties can and must be overcome. It feels that land and air armaments constitute essentially regional agreements.

The problem of the limitation of naval armaments, while not of regional character, can practically be dealt with by measures affecting the navies of a limited group of Powers.

It seems probable that the final conference will not be able to meet this calendar year. Therefore the American Government believes that those Powers which may be able to agree to further naval limitation at an earlier date would not be justified in conscientiously postponing that agreement, thereby opening the way to a recrudescence of competitive naval building.

Although hesitating at this moment to submit rigid proposals as regards the ratios of naval strength, the American Government, for its part, is disposed to accept as regards the classes of vessels not covered by the Washington treaty an extension of the 5-3-3 ratio as regards the United States, Great Britain and Japan, and leave discussion to Geneva of the ratios of France and Italy.

The Memorandum concludes by earnestly hoping that a comprehensive limitation of all types of naval armament may be brought into effect among the principal naval powers without delay.—Reuter's American Service.

Complete Surprise.

Washington, Feb. 10.

President Coolidge's disarmament Memorandum has come as a complete surprise to the Press and it is difficult to forecast its effect on Congress, which at present is in the throes of the cruiser construction controversy.

Mr. Hale, Chairman of the Senate Naval Committee, expressed the opinion that the Memorandum would not imperil the chances of the enactment of the building programme, the carrying out of which he said would not raise the naval strength of the United States to any limitation level which could possibly be adopted.—Reuter's American Service.

Mussolini Interested.

Rome, Feb. 10.

Mr. Fletcher, the United States Ambassador, has delivered President Coolidge's disarmament Memorandum to Signor Mussolini who is deeply interested and has promised careful consideration.—Reuter.

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BUT KEPT ON ITS FEET.

"They excite regret—not alarm," is how the "Financial Times" regards the overseas trade figures.

"Never in history—not even excluding the war period—has the country's overseas trade had greater difficulties to contend against than it had in 1926," says that paper.

"For seven months the vital coal industry was at a standstill, reducing threefold over 60 per cent. of the all-important export coal trade, shrinking by 18 per cent. the export of manufactures, and causing an altogether abnormal import of essential fuel which normally is abundantly supplied locally.

"Yet we have footed a bill," adds the "Financial Times," of £43,000,000, and suffered severe contraction of our powers of exporting both raw materials and manufactures, without encountering any of those disasters which are popularly supposed to follow a great increase in the trade balance, which was raised from £333,000,000 to £465,000,000 in twelve months.

"The value of sterling throughout was maintained, while monetary stringency or financial embarrassment was unheard of.

"The manner in which our unprecedented difficulties were met and surmounted is a matter for congratulation. Industries are not yet in their stride again, but revival in exports of steel, machinery, ships and vehicles is merely a question of time.

"The same applies to the great textile industries. They have all survived the biggest blow ever directed against their prosperity, emerging not, perhaps, unscathed, but still vigorous.

Officials of the Overseas Trade Department told a representative of the "Evening News" that there was more reason now to hope for the return of prosperity than at any time since 1920. Thousands of foreign buyers, who postponed their visits last year owing to the strikes, were arriving.

Acceptances to attend the British Industries Fair, which would open this month, had been received from all over the world, and the number was the largest on record. Those who accepted included some of the biggest Australasian, Canadian and American business men.

PROPERTY BOOM.

Though the Times Were Bad.

The "Westminster Gazette" states that, despite land taxation and the industrial unrest, the sales of land and houses during 1926 were the greatest for five years.

Leading estate agents foresee a revival of the demand for town houses and believe that old family seats are returning to favour.

Speaking at a dinner of the Northampton Branch of the National Farmers' Union, the Prince of Wales said that the Union was based upon a feeling of good fellowship, for its keystone was promotion of a sense of unity and co-operation, without which there could be no progress in farming as a whole. If they pooled their experience for the benefit of all, they could not help but have the farming fraternity a great deal of money, a great deal of time, and a great deal of disappointment.

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PLAIN SPEAKING.

INDUSTRY UNDER THE SOVIET.

UNION CONGRESS.

The Soviet Trades Union Congress in Moscow, in which Mr. Cook took part, was attended by delegates from all parts of the country. The official optimism of the Government speakers received a serious reproof from numerous representatives, who were unsparing in their criticisms of the existing regime. Particularly sharp were the debates on the report on the economic situation presented by Kuybyshev, the chairman of the Supreme Economic Council whose statements were challenged by many delegates.

The delegate of the Leather Workers' Union remarked that, in spite of the crisis in the leather industry, new factories were being built, which were doomed to remain idle owing to the deficiency of raw material. The representative of the chemical industry, Dobrovolsky, stated that the production of phosphate fertilisers had reached only 30 per cent. of the pre-war level. Yet new chemical factories now under construction were designed without consideration for the actual needs of the industry, as a result of which "our practical work receives one blow after another, to the frustration not only of all our expectations, but of the whole plan of industrialisation." He advised the formation of a special organ for "registering mistakes."

Comrade Ginsburg, from Siberia, commented briefly that "all the administrative orders of the Supreme Economic Council were no good." A member of the central committee of the Builders' Union, Bogdanoff, declared that "the building trade, on which enormous sums were being spent, was derelict." No one knew exactly what was the actual expenditure. The difference on that point between the Gosplan (State Planning Department) and other departments amounted to no less than 500,000,000 roubles (about \$50,000,000). Such methods meant "throwing money to the winds." A delegate from the shipbuilding yards in Nikolai said that 7,000 workers were now employed in the yards instead of the 30,000 as before the war; even so their work was futile, as the material and machinery sent from abroad were of very bad quality.

Similar statements were made by representatives from the Izhora Works. Another delegate spoke of the construction of a railway line in Central Asia, on which great sums had been expended and which was suddenly abandoned "for more important work." Men from the Donetz Basin drew attention to the decline in the output of coal and exposed the "predatory methods" of work of the trusts; the "Yugoslav" trust, they said, which possessed the richest mines, produced the most expensive coal in the whole Donetz Basin.

No less frank were the criticisms of the Government policy towards the workers. The delegate of the Ivanovo-Voznesensk industrial district declared that the campaign for the economy regime was nothing less than an attack directed against the workers' conditions of life. The general impression left by the delegates was that, in spite of the continual reforms in the Supreme Economic Council, "its work showed the reverse of improvement."

After the debate Kuybyshev adjourned to the "Business Club," where he complained of the "tendency to harp on defects instead of noting the enormous successes" of the Soviet economic regime.

DOMINIONS.

Most of the principal manufacturing groups are affected by a steady decline in the total percentage of British imports into Australia. British textiles, for which the pre-war average was 63.8, have dropped to 60.1 per cent. From the pre-war average of 62.5 British machinery has declined to 58 per cent.

AMERICAN FINANCE.

New York, Feb. 10.

Mr. Gates McGarrath has been appointed chairman of the Board of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. It is expected that before he takes up his post he will confer with the heads of the Bank of England, the Bank of France and the Reichsbank—Reuters' American Service.

BIG FINANCE.

Operation in New York Gas Shares.

The Singapore office of the National City Company have received the following cable from their New York Office:—

"Further evidence that interest in public utility investment has reached the high point in America came to-day in an announcement that the National City Company is heading a syndicate which has underwritten one million two hundred thousand shares of new preferred stock of Consolidated Gas Company of New York. This stock which will be offered to common stockholders at ninety-one dollars a share is part of an authorised issue of three million shares.

"In asking the stockholders of Consolidated Gas Company at annual meeting February twenty-first to approve this issue they will also be asked to approve increase in authorised common stock from the present three million six hundred thousand shares to four million three hundred and twenty thousand shares additional. Owners of five shares of the present common will be entitled to subscribe to one share of new

common at seventy-five dollars a share and to new preferred at rate of one share for every three shares of common held.

Big For Wall Street.

"The total amount of money made available by the above issues will be approximately one hundred and sixty-three million dollars making this the largest piece of public utility financing in American history and one of the largest financial operations ever completed in Wall Street. History of plan provides for retirement of approximately sixteen million dollars of present preferred and the remainder close to one hundred and fifty million dollars will be used to refund approximately seventy-five million dollars spent for plants equipment extensions in 1926 and provide a like amount for estimated capital expenditures for similar 1927 purposes.

"This particular underwriting is of international interest not only because of the amount involved but also because syndicate headed by The National City Company will distribute that part of the new stock not subscribed by stockholders to investors in all parts of the world."

Washington, Feb. 10.—The Debt Funding Commission has expired—Reuters' American Service.

HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

February 11 to 17, 1927.

DATE HIGH WATER LOWER WATER

Feb. Standard Times Ht. Standard Times Ht.

Fri. 11 m 8 32 4.2 m 0 9 3.3

Sat. 12 m 7 00 4.1 m 1 11 3.6

Sun. 13 m 9 14 4.1 m 1 57 3.3

Mon. 14 m 9 45 4.2 m 2 27 3.0

Tues. 15 m 10 14 4.3 m 3 10 2.8

Wed. 16 m 10 39 4.4 m 3 47 2.8

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" Steak Sirloin 牛 45 30 35

" Sausages 牛 40 20 20

Bullock's Brains 牛 15 10 12

" Tongue, fresh 牛 60 60 60

" Tongue, corned 牛 12 20 12

" Heart 牛 22 13 14

" Hump, salt 牛 84 20 18

" Feet 牛 10 10 12

" Kidneys 牛 16 18 12

" Tail 牛 26 20 22

" Liver 牛 22 18 14

" Tripo 牛 8 6 7

Calves' Head & Feet 牛 12 20 12

Mutton Chop 羊 55 28 12

" Leg 羊 55 28 12

" Shoulder 羊 52 24 12

" Saddle 羊 55 28 12

Pig's Chittings 猪 40 20 22

" Brains 猪 15 10 12

" Feet 猪 10 10 12

" Fry 猪 20 15 18

" Head 猪 20 20 12

" Heart 猪 12 10 8

" Kidneys 猪 12 10 8

" Liver 猪 15 12 10

" Pork Chop 猪 38 25 28

" Leg 猪 35 28 12

" Loin 猪 40 20 22

" Fat or Lard 猪 23 21 12

Sheep's Head & Feet 羊 10 10 12

" Heart 羊 14 8 7

" Kidneys 羊 15 12 10

" Liver 羊 55 28 12

" Sucking Pigs, to order 猪 25 25 22

Suet, Beef 猪 30 29 18

" Mutton 猪 55 28 12

" Veal 猪 36 20 19

" Sausages 猪 40 20 22

" No. 1. 猪 32 20 12

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Barbel 魚 16 19 24

Bream 魚 14 10 18

Canton Fresh 魚 18 18 16

Water Fish 魚 20 16 27

Carp 魚 32 12 9

Catfish 魚 24 20 25

Codfish 魚 40 28 26

Crabs 魚 18 16 2

Cuttle Fish 魚 70 28 16

Dab 魚 14 10 9

Dace 魚 12 10 8

Dog Fish 魚 28 16 1

Eels, Conger 魚 18 10 18

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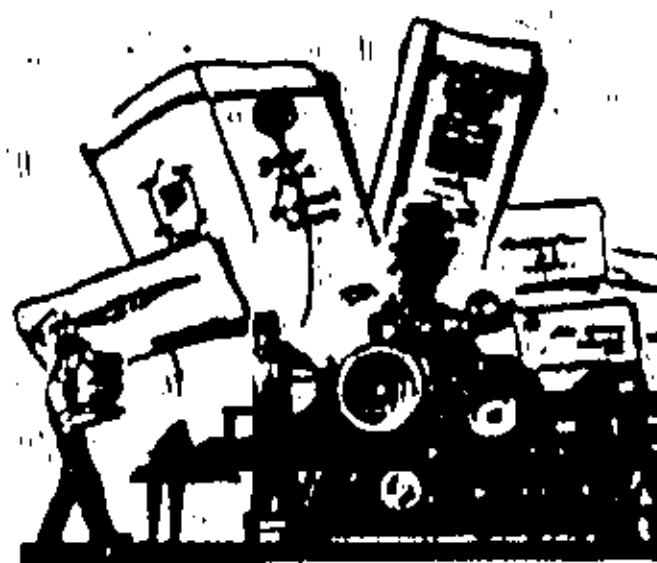
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For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

| | Feet. |
|----------------------|-------|
| Victoria Peak | 1828 |
| Signal Station | 1774 |
| Mt. Parker | 1784 |
| Mountain Lodge | 1725 |
| The Eyrie | 1725 |
| Peak Hotel | 1805 |
| Talkoo Sanatorium | 1000 |
| Mt. Davis | 877 |
| Powen Rd. (Hikabeds) | 297 |
| Mainland | |
| Talmoshan | 8124 |
| Kowloon Peak | 1971 |

NOTICES.

THE HONG KONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE 87TH ANNUAL MEETING of the above Society will be held in the City Hall on WEDNESDAY, 23rd February, at 12 o'clock (noon).

Chairman: Hon. Sir Henry E. Pollock, K.C.
Mrs. J. H. HUNT, Hon. Secretary.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this COMPANY will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 12th February, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th February to the 14th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hong Kong, 29th Jan. 1927.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, February 24th, 1927, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1926.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, February 14th, 1927, to THURSDAY, February 24th, 1927, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
F. H. CRAPPELL, Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, Feb. 5th, 1927.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 14th February to SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1927 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th February, 1927.

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Tashingyoko, from Shimonoseki.
Claude Folkner, from Yokohama.
Nab, from Osaka.
Iyoponia Bunhamu Tanke 71, from Amoy.

E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent.
Hong Kong Station, Feb. 10, 1927.

EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA & CHINA TELEGRAPH CO.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in E. E. Telegraph Office, Hong Kong

Aylwinatto, from London.
Hainat, from Makassar.
Taytraco, from Alameda.
E. A. LEGGATT, Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 3rd Feb. 1927.

1927 CELEBRITIES.

REVELATIONS IN "WHO'S WHO."

OVER 33,000 NAMES.

The 1927 edition of "Who's Who," with all its heart-burning omissions and heart-warming inclusions has just been issued from the house of A. and C. Black, Ltd., and it is safe to assume that many moistened mayoral thumbs are at this very moment nervously flicking its pages in search for the fateful entry.

As likely as not that entry will not be there, for there are many more applications for inclusion in what has, with Whittaker and De-Brett, become vulgarly known as the "Stud Book," than there are acceptances.

Yet, in spite of this, "Who's Who" for 1927, with its 3370 pages, is an even more ponderous and portly volume than any of its ancestors.

Allowing, at a very conservative estimate, 10 names to a page, there are now some 33,000 distinguished persons in the British Empire. As the total population of the Empire has been estimated at 460 millions, one is driven to the rather distressing conclusion that only one person in 13,800 can be classed as "distinguished" in the true sense of the word.

One of the record entries in point of length is that of Mr. Berriedale Keith, the great author.



Gertrude Ederle, the first woman to swim the English Channel, has become an enthusiast of the thrilling sport of aquaplaning. Photo shows Miss Ederle and her sister, Helen, having their first ride "Trudy" is on Ernie Judd's shoulders and her sister, Helen, is carried by Steven Patrick.

HONOLULU CATHEDRAL.

Honolulu, Jan. 12.

Plans for the construction of a new Catholic Cathedral costing a million dollars have been announced with purchase here of the old Hackfeld home at Lunalilo and Emerson Streets for \$35,000.

Other land in the vicinity is to be obtained, and other buildings erected representing an ultimate total expenditure with the cathedral of nearly a million dollars.

The downtown property on Fort, Beretania, and Bishop Streets, now shown for the church plant, will be thrown open to business, although the church will retain ownership of the land. The present cathedral on Fort Street will be retained as a parish church.

The contemplated cathedral on Lunalilo Street will be of the Moorish style of architecture, and because of its location on the steep slopes of Punchbowl will be visible far out to sea.

thor, asserts that his recreations are "telling stories to his wife, watching spiders, and mowing Irish meadows."

Another recreation—this time from William Shakespeare, the singer and composer—is given as "surgery," which sounds a little grim as a pleasant pastime.

Still another method of passing the time is given as "arguing."

Mr. Bruce and Mr. Coates, ties with a modest entry of 18 lines each, but they may be comforted by the reflection that Mr. Stanley Baldwin himself has no more.

General Hertzog can only muster 12 lines of description; but Mr. Mackenzie King, with the majestic total of 100 lines, puts all other Dominion members in the shade.

He is, in fact, nearly six times as famous as Mr. Baldwin—and by the same calculations Mr. Bruce is eight times more obscure than Sir Willis Budge.

A GOOD JOB.

A DRESS-DESIGNER'S BIG SALARY.

SEQUEL IN COURT.

A salary of \$1,500 a year, plus commission; holidays four times a year (including six weeks in the summer); \$15 15s. expenses daily for fashionable race meetings; expenses for four visits to Paris yearly, each extending over a week; and six crowns a year (at an average cost of 25s. each), were among the terms on which Paquin, Ltd., the West End dress-makers, engaged as dress designer Mrs. Fox-Pitt in 1923.

The engagement, however, was cancelled at a moment's notice in 1925, the directors of Paquin's alleging that she had secretly charged five apprentices a premium of £20, in addition to £30 each, which the firm had charged.

Mrs. Fox-Pitt asserts that the directors assented to her charging the extra £20 for distribution among supervisors in order to induce them to teach apprentices thoroughly.

"To a woman a new hat is a treasure, a triumph, a tonic," said the bachelorette Judge, Mr. Justice McCardie, during the hearing.

Mr. Bavan, Paquin's counsel, who is married, slyly retorted: "I would rather have the husband's opinion."

Mrs. Fox-Pitt denied accusing Paquin's French manager of selling "rotten hats," but confessed that she was "a rotten business-woman."

Several apprentices gave evidence that they fully understood that £20 out of the £50 premium was shared. Hearing of the case was adjourned.

ON THE "EMPRESS."

CHATTY NOTES ABOUT THE VISITORS.

TOURISTS IN HONG KONG.

To pass the "Empress of Scotland" through the Suez Canal, tolls aggregating \$25,242.84 were disbursed, an average of \$1.39 for each of her 18,202 net tons. A net ton is a hundred cubic feet of carrying space.

Of the 400 passengers, 61 per cent. belong to the fair sex. Their average age is 49.93 years, the youngest being 9 and the eldest 77. Though 68 per cent. of the personnel are Americans and a bulk of the remainder British subjects, there are also citizens of Mexico, Denmark, Switzerland, Sweden, Holland and Chile aboard. There are sixteen less than 20 years of age and 82 in their twenties, while there are 112 in their fifties and 104 in their sixties.

Clarence J. Wetmore of Oakland, California, bought 110 ivory elephants when he was in Delhi, one for each member of the June graduating class of Mills College, which is situated in Oakland. He is sponsor and the only honorary and masculine member of the class.

Mr. Albert M. Platt of Denver, Colorado, bought 84 ebony elephants of varying dimensions in Colombo, one for each member of the Denver Kiwanis Club, to which he belongs.

The largest elephant is in the custody of Mrs. Marjorie Cooper, of Barnes, England. It is of ebony, 23 inches high and 28 inches long, and requires two men to lift it. It is sharing her stateroom on shipboard, having "brought" its own trunk.

In the Round-the-World Golf Club on board are 37 players who are playing on their various golf courses in the sports of call. To date they have played at Nice on the French Riviera, Naples, Cairo, Bombay, Colombo, Batavia, Java and Singapore.

WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on January 1, 1927. CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|--|----------------------|----------|
| Tyatam | 35' 7" B. 13' 18" B. | |
| Tyatam Byewash | 22' 4" B. 25' 4" B. | |
| Tyatam Intermediate | 0' 4" B. Level | |
| Tyatam Full Reservoir | 27' 2" B. 12' 11" B. | |
| Wong Nei Chung | 21' 4" B. 15' 2" B. | |
| Pokfulum | 19' 0" B. 17' 11" B. | |
| [Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"] | | |
| Storage in millions and decimals of gallons. | 1926 | 1927 |
| Tyatam | 439.40 | 278.72 |
| Tyatam Byewash | 1.74 | .59 |
| Tyatam Intermediate | 197.78 | 195.90 |
| Tyatam Full | 841.00 | 1,121.75 |
| Wong Nei Chung | 8.96 | 13.59 |
| Pokfulum | 26.30 | 23.35 |
| Total | 1,225.18 | 1,433.51 |

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December:—

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|---|---------|---------|
| Consumption | 226.84 | 244.59 |
| Estimated Population | 397,300 | 407,820 |
| Per day (gallons) | 13.4 | 19.3 |
| Full Supply in all Rider Main Districts up to the 8th December and Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts from 9th to 31st December 1926. Full Supply in all Rider Main Districts during December, 1926 with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where an Intermittent Supply was given from 4th to 31st December, 1926. | | |

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|--|------------------|--------|
| Kowloon Gravitation | 19' 7" B. 70" B. | |
| Shek Lai Pui Reservoir | 4' 7" B. 0" B. | |
| Reception Reservoir | 3' 4" B. | |
| Storage in millions and decimals of gallons. | 1926 | 1927 |
| Kowloon Gravitation | 179.75 | 233.50 |
| Shek Lai Pui Reservoir | 82.85 | 88.40 |
| Reception Reservoir | 8.27 | 24.55 |
| Total | 262.60 | 406.45 |

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of December.

| | 1926 | 1927 |
|--|---------|---------|
| Consumption | 63.27 | 74.83 |
| Estimated population | 153,100 | 158,140 |
| Per day (gallons) | 14.4 | 15.3 |
| Full Supply in all districts during December 1926 and 1927. | | |
| The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory. | | |
| To rainfall to December 31, 1925, 87.58 December 31, 1925, 100.78. | | |

SAME PANTS, TOO!

The Avonshire parish of Ochiltree boasts of its inhabitants' longevity.

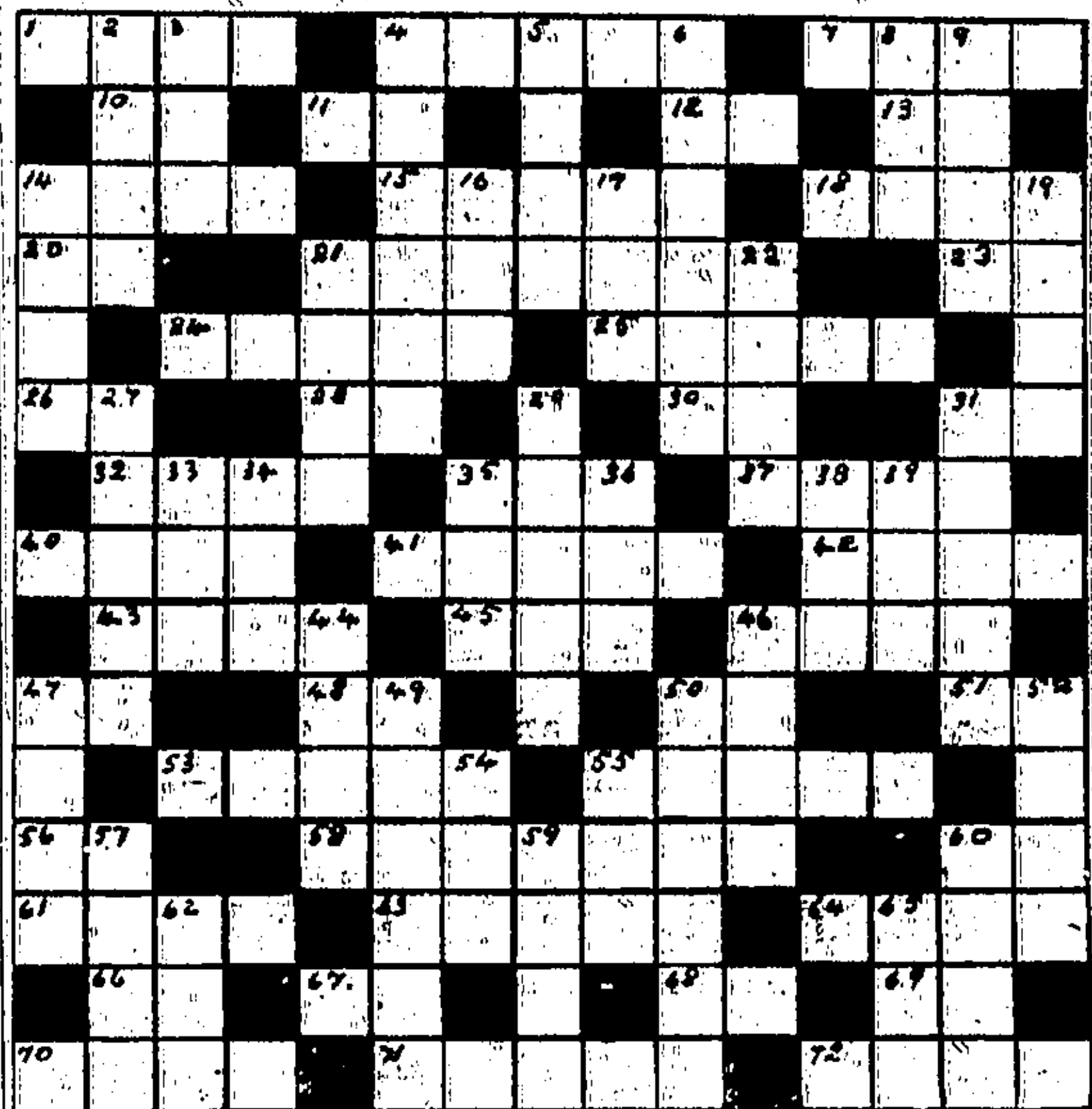
The chairman at the school-fellows' annual reunion proudly mentioned that a local farmer had attended all the reunions since 1875.

"CHINA MAIL" CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

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8. The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
10. Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
11. Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
12. All letters must be addressed, "China Mail" Cross-words, c/o "China Mail" Office, No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong. No member of the staff of the "China Mail" will be allowed to compete.
13. Solutions are held under sealed cover and in no way will be opened until the close of the competition.



To "China Mail" Cross-words,

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Name.....

Address.....

[Please Write in Block Letters.]

CLOSING DATE FOR COUPONS, MONDAY, FEB. 14.

[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

Clues Across.

1. To keep in safety.
2. To ripple.
3. Postscript (abbrev.)
4. Direction.
5. Printers' unit of measure.
6. Thus.
7. Conducts water to a mill.
8. Turns round.
9. Oceans.
10. 3rd. pers. sing. pres. of "Be."
11. A small tinned fish.
12. Mother.
13. To revolve.
14. Style of expression.
15. Edition (abbrev.)
16. Doctor of Divinity (abbrev.)
17. U.S.A.
18. Advertisement (abbrev.)
19. Thick temper cord.
20. Open (poetic).
21. Close by.
22. A genus of rodent quadruped.
23. A lifting machine.
24. Destruction.
25. A girl's name.
26. To perform.
27. A meat.
28. Church of England (abbrev.)
29. 8th. note in scale.
30. Like this.
31. Her (no H).
32. Begin.
33. An action.
34. V.A. (actual).
35. A pot for storing in.
36. Theological Society (initia.)
37. To increase.
38. Mentally conceived.
39. A box.
40. Masculine pronoun.
41. In the same manner.
42. Kick-out (abbrev.)
43. Hold; stop; (interj.)
44. To provide for.
45. Twist.
46. To send away (as from employment).
47. Exclamation of pleasure.

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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S.S. VENEZIA sails on or about 28th April.

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From Hong Kong.

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M.V. VIMINALE sails on or about 10th March.
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Liverpool, Dec. 30.
Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co., the
Blue Funnel Line, Liverpool, have
just taken delivery of their motor-
ship "Stentor," which has been built
by the Caledon Shipbuilding Co.
She is the first British cargo liner
to be fitted with direct-acting
double-acting Diesel engines of the
4-cycle type, which were manufac-
tured by the North-Eastern Marine
Engineering Co. Ltd., of Wall-
send-on-Tyne. She is the thirty-
sixth vessel built in Messrs. Al-
fred Holt's post-war shipbuilding
programme, which, when com-
pleted, will add to the company's ton-
nage some 287,255 gross tons.

During the last few years, the
North-Eastern Marine Engineering
Co. at their Wallsend works, in
conjunction with Messrs. Werk-
spoor, of Amsterdam, have been
carrying out extensive Diesel en-
gine experimental work, and the
machinery of the "Stentor" is the
first set of the double-acting type
to be put into service. It will be
remembered that the North-Eastern
Marine Engineering Co. built a
large experimental unit of this
type, the size of this unit being
practically the same as the six
cylinders of the Holt engine, so
that any readers who saw this ex-
perimental engine running will
easily visualise the proportions of
the "Stentor's" engines.

In Messrs. Alfred Holt's post-
war shipbuilding programme there
are nine ships which are fitted with
a special type of engine; three of
them have a geared turbine single-
screw drive; five of them are of
the Burmeister and Wain twin-
screw single-acting Diesel en-
gine, and, as already stated, the
"Stentor" is the first British cargo
vessel to be fitted with direct ac-
ting double-acting Diesel engine of
the four-cycle type. The dimen-

sions of the "Stentor" are:—
Her length is 449ft.
Breadth 54ft. 10ins.
Moulded depth 31ft. 9ins.
Gross tonnage 6,617 tons.
Deadweight 7,820 tons, and
Sea speed 13 knots.

A comparison between what may
be called the economic value of
the double-acting single-acting
screw Diesel engine, as fitted in the
"Stentor," will now be possible
with the geared turbine installa-
tions fitted in three exactly simi-
lar vessels, and again the "Sten-
tor's" single-screw engine will be
compared on the same lines with
twin-screw Burmeister and Wain
single-acting engine as fitted in five
other similar vessels. This com-
parison will be made on similar
voyages in the Far Eastern trade
with which Messrs. Alfred Holt
and Co. have been successfully
identified for so many years.

For some time past it has been
noticed that there is a growing
demand for engines of about 4,000
a.h.p., the tendency being towards
higher speeds in vessels of the
same size as the "Stentor," which
represents the modern trend in
shipbuilding. Up to now the diffi-
culty has been to get this power
in an engine driving a single shaft
which shall be not only reliable
in service and economical in opera-
tion, but also sufficiently accessible
to render it possible for surveys to
be carried out by classifications
societies, the Board of Trade, &c.,
in the short space of time which
the shipowner can allow these ves-
sels to remain in port. An out-
standing feature of the "Stentor's"
engine is that the vital working
parts, such as the cylinders with
their covers, can be as readily re-
moved as similar parts of the steam
engine. This means that the pis-
tons with their packing rings, the
piston rods and the gland packing
can be as readily removed as simi-
lar parts of the steam engine. This
means that the pistons with their
packing rings, the piston rods and
the gland packing can be removed
and examined in the minimum of
time. During the experimental
running of the unit and after-
wards, these working parts were
removed and examined, and many

people who saw this going on were
struck with the short time in which
the work could be carried out.
Five Similar Engines Under
Construction.

The "Stentor's" engine is the
first of five which Mr. Sumner
Hunter, jun., C.B.E., chairman
and managing director of the
North-Eastern Marine Engineer-
ing Co., Ltd., is building, and
other engines of this building in this
country of the same make, which
goes to prove that the Brit-
ish engine builders have got
a grip on the oil engine market,
which is likely to show very big
developments in the next year or
so. Hitherto, most of this type of
engine have been built and pur-
chased abroad, and it is really since
the Government control of British
shipbuilding and marine engineer-
ing was removed and builders al-
lowed to proceed with new develop-
ments, that the British marine en-
gine builders have been free to go
ahead with the building of Diesel
engines, which was interrupted by
the outbreak of the war.

During the last few days re-
markable strides have been made
by those firms who went thorow-
ly into the technique of the Diesel
engine, and the consequent re-
search work necessary. In doing
this the engine builders in most
instances have had great help from
shipowners, such as Messrs. Al-
fred Holt and Co., who have al-
ways been in the forefront in de-
velopments of this kind. Fur-
thermore, it should not be forgot-
ten that the British mechanic has
thrown himself wholeheartedly
into the work and his efforts have
helped to bring about the success
such as is exemplified by the build-
ing of the "Stentor's" engines.
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| EMPERESS OF CANADA | Mar. 30 | Apr. 2 | Apr. 5 | Apr. 8 | Apr. 17 |
| EMPERESS OF RUSSIA | Apr. 20 | Apr. 23 | Apr. 26 | Apr. 29 | May 8 |
| EMPERESS OF ASIA | May 11 | May 14 | May 17 | May 20 | May 29 |
| EMPERESS OF CANADA | June 1 | June 4 | June 7 | June 10 | June 19 |
| EMPERESS OF RUSSIA | June 22 | June 25 | June 28 | July 1 | July 10 |
| EMPERESS OF ASIA | July 11 | July 14 | July 17 | July 20 | July 29 |

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MONTEVIDEO MARU Tuesday, 1st of March.
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SHINNOH MARU Sunday, 6th March.
SHUNKO MARU Saturday, 19th March.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND
MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CANADA MARU Friday, 18th March.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.
BINGO MARU Sunday, 27th March.
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.
KOESU MARU Middle of March.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan
Ports.
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JAPAN PORTS
ALASKA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday, 16th February.
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.
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KAJO MARU Sunday, 20th February, 10 a.m.
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.
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| DELTA | 5,097 | 14th Feb. | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| KALYAN | 9,144 | 19th Feb. | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull |
| NEILLORE | 8,852 | 2nd March | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| MANITUA | 10,002 | 5th March | Marseilles & London |
| KASHGAR | 9,005 | 12th March | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & R'dam |
| NAGPORE | 5,283 | 14th March | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay |
| NYANZA | 7,023 | 17th March | Marseilles & London |
| MONGOLIA | 13,504 | 19th March | Marseilles & London |
| MACE DONIA | 11,120 | 2nd April | Marseilles & London |
| KHYBER | 9,114 | 5th April | Marseilles, London, Antwerp & R'dam |
| DEVANHA | 8,155 | 12th April | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| DELTA | 8,897 | 17th April | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay |
| MAHWA | 10,541 | 30th April | Marseilles & London |
| NEILLORE | 8,852 | 1st May | Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay |
| KHYBER | 9,115 | 14th May | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| NYANZA | 7,023 | 17th May | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay |
| MORSA | 10,018 | 20th May | Marseilles & London |
| KASHGAR | 9,005 | 1st June | Marseilles & London |
| MANITUA | 10,002 | 26th June | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
| KALYAN | 9,144 | 29th July | Marseilles, London & Antwerp |
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| TILAWA | 10,000 | 12th Feb. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| TALMA | 10,000 | 14th Feb. | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| SHIRALA | 7,841 | 1st March | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |
| CAMBHIRA | 5,257 | 8th March | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta |

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

| | | | |
|------------|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| TANDA | 6,866 | 4th March | Manila, Sandakan, Iloilo, Thursday |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 1st April | Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 29th July | Melbourne |

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| NAGPORE | 5,283 | 12th Feb. | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| SHIRALA | 7,841 | 13th Feb. | Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka |
| MONGOLIA | 13,504 | 17th Feb. | Shanghai & Kobe |
| CAMBHIRA | 5,257 | 24th Feb. | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| MACE DONIA | 11,120 | 4th March | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| ST. ALBANS | 4,500 | 8th March | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |
| KHYBER | 9,114 | 11th March | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| DEVANHA | 8,155 | 18th March | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| LAHORE | 5,252 | 27th March | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| MAHWA | 10,541 | 1st April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| DELTA | 8,897 | 1st April | Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama |
| ARAFURA | 6,000 | 5th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| PERIM | 7,848 | 12th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| NEILLORE | 8,852 | 15th April | Shanghai, Moji and Kobe |
| KHYBER | 9,115 | 18th April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
| NYANZA | 7,023 | 25th April | Shanghai, Moji & Kobe |
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|------------------------|------------|---------------|
| S.S. "PELEUS" | 1st March | 25th February |
| S.S. "CITY OF BRISTOL" | 5th March | 5th March |
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| S.S. "TEUCER" | 19th March | 19th March |

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BLUE FUNNEL LINE.

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Reduction in Racing in Heavy Weather.

The "Stentor" went on her trial on Monday, December 20, off the mouth of the Tyne, and after the usual manœuvring and trials of auxiliary machinery, the vessel proceeded on the measured mile, where an average mean speed of 13.76 knots was maintained on a series of full power runs.

At the conclusion of the trials the vessel sailed for Glasgow. She was in ballast trim, and not heavy head seas and a north-westerly gale, and consequently the propeller was constantly out of the water, the engine room being watched with great interest by the technical staff on board. It was found that with the balancing of the engines, the heavy flywheel, and the cushioning effect of the compression in the cylinders, the racing was kept down to an increase of about 10 per cent. over the normal revolutions per minute.

After passing into the Pentland Firth, the weather changed entirely, the wind coming in from the south-east, and instead of the mist and low visibility anticipated with this state of weather, the atmosphere cleared entirely, and the ship went on her way to Glasgow at a speed of 14 knots, reaching the Tail of the Bank on Wednesday evening.

Among those on board were Mr. Summers Hunter, Junr., C.B.E., Mr. W. Turnbull (representing the Caledonian Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.), Mr. Lawrence Holt (director), Mr. Storry B. Freeman, C.B.E., M.Inst.M.E., M.I.Mech.E., M.Inst.M.A. (superintendent engineer), Mr. H. Fleet (naval architect), and Mr. George Turnbull (ship surveyor), representing Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co. Mr. Harry Hunter (works manager of the North Eastern Marine Engineering Co., Ltd.), who had had entire charge of the development and building of this engine, should have been present on the trials, and the subsequent first voyage of the ship, but owing to an accident in London, he is in a nursing home, with slight injuries to his head, which will keep him from business for some weeks to come. This is the more regrettable because he had thrown himself heart and soul into the building of this engine, and his friends will realise what a loss it will be to him not to be present on the trial completion of his work.

DESCRIPTION OF THE ENGINE.

The deep piston of the double-acting engine calls for remark. Although cast in one piece, it is in reality two pistons, with a circumferential gap between. There are four rings in the bottom piston and seven in the top one in view of the higher working pressure there developed. The gap fulfils a double function. For one thing, it accommodates the nuts of the nickel chrome steel bolts securing the piston to the heavy flange at the top of the piston rod. (Incidentally it may be stated here that the joint between the piston and the rod is ground flat and water tested to 1,000 lbs. per square inch.) The gap also provides a simple and effective method of testing the tightness of the piston rings.

In the cylinder liner there is a small port connected to a valve which is opened by a cam every time the piston passes it after a combustion stroke on the top. From the valve a pipe leads to a pressure gauge. Normally the pressure should be constant and an undue rise indicates that something is wrong with the piston rings. A cock in the same pipe is used to draw off samples of the lubricating oil for examination when required.

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Ltd., 36-38, Southampton Street,
Strand, W.C.2.**ANNOUNCEMENT.**The marriage of Mr. John Fraser
P.W.D. and Miss Helen C. Sheppard
of Balgonie, Aberdeen has been
arranged to take place at the
Union Church, Kowloon, on Satur-
day, 19th Feb. at 2.30 p.m. Reception
afterwards at "The Rest
House" Tai-po. All friends are
cordially invited. Conveyance ar-
ranged.

Hong Kong, Friday, Feb. 11, 1927.

HANKOW AGREEMENT.Of primary importance in to-
day's cables is the announcement
of an agreement with regard to
the Hankow Concession. The
terms of this agreement were
practically foreshadowed by Sir
Austen Chamberlain in his speech
at Birmingham at the end of last
month. He stated then that the
British are prepared to enter into
local arrangements as regards the
Concessions according to the
particular circumstances of each
case, either for the amalgamation
of the administration with ad-
jacent areas under Chinese con-
trol, or for the other method of
handing over the administration
to the Chinese whilst assuring the
British communities of some
voice in Municipal matters.It is on these lines that an
agreement has been reached as
the result of the conversations
between Mr. Eugene Chen and
Mr. O. S. C. Bailey. It pro-
vides that the Concession in Han-
kow will be transferred to the
British Municipal Council, the first
essential toward correcting an
injustice, and that the most
satisfactory arrangement will be
made for the Chinese community
to have a voice in the adminis-
tration of the Concession. The
British Municipal Council will be
responsible for the administration
of the Concession, and the Chinese
community will have a voice in
the administration of the Con-
cession. The British Municipal
Council will be responsible for the
administration of the Concession,
and the Chinese community will
have a voice in the adminis-
tration of the Concession.differences for the ultimate good
of all concerned. Above the
structure of compromise that will
be reached when the agreement is
actually signed there is great
hope for a tower of solid mutual
understanding and friendship be-
tween the Chinese and the British
that should completely over-
shadow all doubts and misunder-
standings between the two nations.**Earthquake Prophecies.**If seismology were an exact
science, the lugubrious prophecy
of Professor Bandandis, described
as a noted Italian seismologist,
that the year 1927 is to be one
remarkable for early paroxysms,
would, especially to those com-
munities established along the
known weaker lines of the earth's
crust, occasion alarm and dismay.
From many thriving and prosper-
ous and populous regions already
an exodus to safer zones would be
in progress. According to this
prophet of evil hardly a month is
to pass during the current year
that there will not be disastrous
convulsions of this too solid
planet. Central Europe, Central
and Western America, the Middle
and Far East are all, we are
solemnly informed, to have their
turn of death and destruction,
owing to an unwonted activity
of the seismic forces. Seismology,
however, is no more, is rather
much less, of an exact science
than is meteorology. Like the
predictions of the long-period
weather prophets some of
Professor Bandandis' lugubrious
forecasts may and probably will
be realised. The regions referred
to are subject to seismic distur-
bances at irregular intervals and
it would be pretty safe even for a
layman to predict earthquakes in
one or more of them during the
year, but to give their occurrence
in categorical order assigning to
all their sequence suggests that
the prophet is more of a charlatan
than a serious scientist.**CORRESPONDENCE.****BRITISH JUSTICE.**

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—A short while ago I took
the liberty of addressing you upon
the great example which Indian
progress under British adminis-
tration demonstrated vis-a-vis the
anti-British gospel of the Bol-
shevists.Affairs in China have developed
somewhat seriously since I penned
my last letter, but two or three
significant things have occurred to
which I would respectfully refer,
feeling as I do, that the oppor-
tunity should not be lost for bring-
ing home to the more extreme of
my Chinese friends a concrete ex-
ample of how far they are being
led along the wrong road by listen-
ing to the gospel of the extremists.His Majesty's Speech at the re-
opening of the British Parliament
contained an important reference
to the protection of "my British
and Indian subjects" and, side by
side with this, we have the very sig-
nificant fact that Indian Princes
lost no time in tendering to the
Viceroy magnificent offers of their
troops for service in China. "It is cer-
tainly very difficult to reconcile this
with the alleged suppression of na-
tive peoples and weaker nations of
which we hear so much nowadays."In my humble opinion, if ever
Britain wanted a complete answer
to the malicious charges in regard
to her treatment of native peoples,
the action of the Indian Princes
should suffice. And yet, strange
to say, the significant fact has been
relegated to the background.Few will deny that in dealing
with primitive peoples and native
races the British Government has
always considered itself to be en-
trusted with a two-fold duty. It
has always regarded itself respon-
sible for their protection against
exploitation, endeavouring at the
same time to develop a feeling of
self-respect and responsibility. The
British Government has always ad-
mitted that the British Govern-
ment, whilst best for Britain, is
not necessarily best for India,
Nigeria or Rhodesia; and the me-
thod of governing evolved as a re-
sult of the policy is as far removed
from the imperialistic cry of the
extremists as are the two poles.It seems to me to be the fun-
damental duty of every British
subject, whether of European or
Asiatic birth, to do their utmost
to broadcast this great truth—
"You're right."

V. RICHARD.

ITALIAN CONVENT.**LADY CLEMENTI DISTRIBUTES
AWARDS.****FORMER PUPIL'S REVIEW.**Lady Clementi distributed prizes
and certificates yesterday afternoon
to students of the Italian Convent
who had been successful in the
senior, junior and other examina-
tions.An excellent musical programme,
including an operetta, was render-
ed by students prior to the distri-
bution.A feature of the afternoon was
the reading of the Headmistress's
report by Mr. J. P. Braga who was
himself a pupil of this school fifty
years ago.Mr. J. P. Braga, reading the re-
port, spoke as follows:—My
association with this function is
explained by two reasons:—The
first is, obedience to the wish of the
Mother Superior that I should read
the report of the Headmistress, and
the second, the fact that the choice
of me to perform this most plea-
sant duty is because fifty years ago
I was a young pupil of this same
school.Forethought of Founders.
The Headmistress has no out-
standing feature to report on the
school work for the past year. The
enrolment has been maintained at
its highest level; the attendance
has been good, and the nationalities
of the scholars were thoroughly re-
presentative of the cosmopolitan
community of the Colony. There
is no abatement in the keen desire
of the Chinese girls for the acqui-
sition of Western knowledge, whether
in languages or arts; a fact which
amply bears out the great fore-
sight of the founders of this
school sixty years ago—that a pro-
per foundation for the education of
Chinese girls in this Colony should
be laid even in that early period of
the Colony's settlement.As usual, the Italian Convent
School was visited by the Inspector
of Schools (Mr. E. Ralphs) during
the year, and it is gratifying to be
able to quote from Mr. Ralphs' re-
port that "The tone of the school
is excellent, and the children
throughout are manifestly well-
cared-for and happy in their work."As regards accommodation, the In-
spector stated that "the building is
suitable; the class-rooms are cool,
airy and light. It is in good order
and condition and scrupulously
clean throughout."Highest Standard.
We endeavour to keep the School
equipment at its highest standard,
there being a plentiful supply of
pictures and the books in use
throughout the School have been
carefully selected and are suitable
to the requirements of the pupils.The following extracts are made
from the Inspector's report:—"The
discipline is excellent. Reading
continues to improve, and was fluent
and intelligent. Recitation showed
a great improvement, as did also
Singing. A Choral Class has at-
tained a high standard of attain-
ment. Drawing continues to be
well taught and much of the work
shown, especially in the Senior
Classes, was excellent. Nature
Study Drawing and notes, in con-
nection with Object Lessons, were
quite satisfactory."Handwriting showed a general
improvement. Written exercises
throughout were very neat, and
always carefully corrected. The
plan followed in the teaching of
Geography is to be commended.
Physical exercises are carried on
thoroughly and are given in
each class at intervals during the
day, whenever the pupils appear to
be tired, or to require a breathing
space."The Needlework maintains its
usual high standard. The "Special
Classes" prepare Chinese girls for
the "English Classes" and are doing
very good work. In the Kindergar-
ten Classes there was abundant
evidence of very careful and suc-
cessful work. The children read,
recited and gave "action songs" all
with the greatest zest, and quite
obviously enjoyed their lessons."**\$1,000 OR \$10,000?****SEQUEL TO THE PAYING OF A
CHEQUE.**The hearing was resumed at
the Central Magistracy yesterday
afternoon of the case in which a
Chinese, the manager of the Wan
Tung Firm, Wing Lok Street, was
charged with obtaining \$8,000 by
false pretences from the Bank of
Canton Ltd.Mr. R. E. Lindsell heard the
case, whilst Messrs. M. M. Wat-
son and C. G. Alabaster K.C.,
O.B.E., appeared for the Bank of
Canton and the defendant respec-
tively.On lining the case for the pro-
secution, Mr. Watson stated
that on December 13 the defend-
ant presented a cheque for \$1,000.
When paying the sum the ac-
countant took the figure for
\$10,000, and paid out that
amount. The mistake was later
discovered. The defendant, in-
terviewed, denied having received
the extra \$9,000.After hearing evidence in re-
gard to the procedure adopted by
the Bank in dealing with cheques,
his Worship adjourned the case
until Monday afternoon.**FAMILY PARTY.****A CHARGE OF GAMING
DENIED.**When three women and four
men were charged before Mr.
R. E. Lindsell at the Central
Magistracy this morning, the first
defendant, a woman, with keep-
ing a common gaming house and
the remainder with gambling, Mr.
F. H. Loseby said that he had
been instructed to defend all the
accused.Mr. Lindsell: You deny the
charge?
Mr. Loseby: Oh, Yes. It was
a family party.
The case will be heard on
Monday.Little Miss Betty Evans, in a
short recitation thanked Lady
Clementi for giving away the prizes.
Lady Clementi commented upon
the excellent work of the head-
mistress and staff of the Convent
and expressed pleasure at the
charming entertainment given by
the pupils.The list of prize winners was as
follows:
Prize Winners.
Prize for Biblical Knowledge—
Miss Wong Po-chue, Miss Thelma
May and Miss Cissy Bofelino have
won the distinction of inscription
of their names on the Lugalard Shield
for integrity and unselfishness.Lugalard Scholarship for the years
1927-1928—Miss Lily Cheung.
Lady Ho Tung Scholarships for
Good Conduct and Application for
the year 1928—Miss Lily Barretto
and Miss Ng Tak-ching.Senior Local Certificates and
Prizes.—1, Thelma May (Dist. in
English) and Lily Williams; 2,
Lily Barretto; Certificate, Caro-
lina Maher; Wong Po-chue; Cissy
Bofelino; Emerenciana Santos;
Henriette Carme; Olga Agado; Olga
King; Carmen Xavier; and Alice
Suffard.Junior Local Certificates and
Prizes.—1, Ng Tak-ching (Dist. in
Arithmetic and Chinese); 2, Con-
chita Millan (Dist. in Spanish and
Biblical Knowledge) and Della Fos-
san (Dist. in Biblical Knowledge);
Certificates, Katherine Chan (Dist.
in Biblical Knowledge); Carmen
Vas (Dist. in Biblical Knowledge);
Chan Kiti-ghing (Dist. in Biblical
Knowledge); Iris Guimam (Dis-
tinction in Biblical Knowledge); Lucy
Toscan (Distinction in Biblical Know-
ledge); Tam Chui-king; Olga
Rosario; Lily Gubbay.Class 3.—Lily Cheung (1st
Prize); Amanda Albuquerque;
(2nd Prize); Cissy Tse; Herica
Silva and Lily Ho.Class 4.—Cissy Leong and Kitty
Tse (1st Prize); Cissy Remedios
(2nd Prize); Olga Baptista; Phyllis
Hunt and Mildred Gardner.Class 5.—Mary Cheung (1st
Prize); Lily Tsang (2nd Prize);
Irene Williams; Harriet Livesey
and Florence Tong.Class 6.—Ada Tong (1st Prize);
Amy Chu; Dolly Leung and Anna
Lopes Ozorio.Class 7.—Alma To (1st Prize);
Beatrice Ozorio (2nd Prize); Mabel
Gardner; Norma May and Amelia
Lopes Ozorio.Class 8.—Cissy Leung (1st
Prize); Ivy Wong (2nd Prize); Pau-
line Li; Thelma Gonzales; and
Beatrice Xavier.Italian Classes.—Nov. Koo,
Dorothy Gardner; Maria da Rosa;
Cissy Leung; Agnes Leung; Lillian
Baker; Laura Tan; Stella Silva;
Socorro Tavares; Irene Sautera;
Ruby Wong; Helen Leung; Elvy
Sequeira; Elvitha Silva; and
Giacinta Castilho.

SPORTS SECTION

SOCCER NOTES.

TO-MORROW'S INTERPORT MATCH.

TEST WITH CHINESE.

Of primary interest in local soccer circles to-morrow is the match in which Hong Kong's victorious XI is to meet an eleven representative of "combined China," i.e., drawn from the Chinese of Hong Kong and the Chinese laterport team of Shanghai.

The kick-off is at 3.30 p.m., on the Hong Kong F.C. ground. Hong Kong's team will be the same as that which vanquished Shanghai by 4-nil, as follows:

goal: Clark (Police);

backs: Wynne (Police), Bishop (H.K.F.C.);

halves: Hudson (Police), Sims (Kowloon), C. F. Remedios (Recreio);

forwards: Tso Kwai-shing (Chinese Athletic), Suen Kam-shun (Chinese Athletic), Goshao (Recreio), Mc-Glinghey (2nd/K.O.S.B.), Brown (Recreio).

reference: Mr. Davies; linesman: Mr. Phillips.

Interport XI Should Win.

From this it will be seen that two of the Chinese "stars" are in the selected side. There was a third, Lam Yuk-ying, who won his "cap" but did not play as he arrived late and his place in the middle line was taken by Remedios.

For the purpose of combination, perhaps, the Hong Kong Football Association are sticking to the same team.

On merit, Hong Kong will provide the majority of the Eastern and Southern China XI. A team suggested by a leading Chinese sports writer is as follows:

goal: Pan Kunging (Athletic);

backs: Ng Kam-chuen (Athletic), Lai Yuk-tat (Athletic);

halves: Leung Yuk-tong (Shanghai), Wong Shui-wa (Athletic), Lam Yuk-ying (Athletic);

forwards: Chan Kwong-in (Athletic), Fung King-chung (South China), Wong Pak-chung (Athletic), Li Wai-tong (Shanghai), C. W. Chen (Shanghai).

Still, it is difficult to see this or any other combined Chinese team beating the Interport side as constituted as the Chinese players seem to have gone stale. Provided the Interport side do not lose confidence, they ought to win fairly easily.

In The League.

League clubs had a holiday last Saturday on account of the Interport festival. The senior teams will still be resting to-morrow but three matches are down for decision in division II, with a bearing on the championship in both sections. The fixtures are:

Section "A."

Scottish Borderers' Reserves v. Kowloon F.C. Reserves, Sookumpoo "A" ground, 2.45 p.m.

Royal Artillery Reserves v. University, Sookumpoo "B" ground, 2.45 p.m.

Section "B."

St. Joseph's College Reserves v. Moslem Club, St. Joseph's ground, 2.45 p.m.

Championship Problems.

From the table published on this page it will be seen that St. Joseph's, the leaders, are playing their last game and that a draw will assure them of top place. Even were they to lose, the Moslems would then have to win another match before qualifying for a tie.

In section "A," the Borderers 2nd XI hold a fairly substantial lead but they will have to be on their mettle against the Kowloon Reserves.

HONG KONG LEAGUE FOOTBALL TABLES.

Not taking into account the "Tamar's" withdrawal (i.e., reckoning the 9 matches they have actually played) and not yet adding on points forfeited by absent teams, the tables of the Hong Kong Football League are given below:

Division I.

| | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Club de Recreio | 11 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 36 | 13 | 20 |
| Kowloon F.C. | 14 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 26 | 14 | 16 |
| Hong Kong F.C. | 11 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 14 | 13 | 13 |
| Royal Artillery | 12 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 13 | 13 |
| Scottish Borderers | 13 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 19 | 13 | 13 |
| Chinese Athletic | 13 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 19 | 23 | 13 |
| Police R.C. | 12 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 11 | 17 | 12 |
| H.M.S. "Tamar" | 9 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 13 | 19 | 5 |
| South China A.A. | 13 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 6 | 28 | 3 |

Division II, Section "A."

| | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Borderers' Reserves | 11 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 46 | 12 | 21 |
| Chinese Athletic "A" | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 33 | 10 | 20 |
| St. Joseph's College | 13 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 31 | 17 | 14 |
| Kowloon Reserves | 11 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 23 | 10 | 13 |
| Recreio Reserves | 13 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 23 | 24 | 13 |
| H.K.F.C. Reserves | 11 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 16 | 22 | 12 |
| R.A. Reserves | 10 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 12 | 11 |
| University | 9 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 16 | 16 | 10 |
| South China Reserves | 11 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 6 | 34 | 2 |
| Chinese Athletic "B" | 13 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 8 | 56 | 0 |

Division II, Section "B."

| | P. | W. | D. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| St. Joseph's Reserves | 13 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 48 | 15 | 24 |
| Moslem Club | 12 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 30 | 10 | 20 |
| Chinese Athletic "A" | 13 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 17 | 15 | 17 |
| South China Boy Scouts | 12 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 30 | 11 |
| Park Portuguese | 13 | 5 | 1 | 7 | 16 | 31 | 11 |
| Chinese Athletic "B" | 13 | 4 | 0 | 9 | 19 | 23 | 8 |
| Kowloon F.C. "B" | 12 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 16 | 31 | 5 |
| South China "B" | 12 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 16 | 33 | 4 |

THE DRAW.

ANNUAL LAWN TENNIS AT H.K.C.C.

TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Below is given the draw for the two open events in the Hong Kong Cricket Club annual lawn tennis tournament, these being for the accepted if not official championships of the Colony.

The tournament begins in March and dates are put beside the ties, as follows:

OPEN SINGLES.

First Quarter.

March 11: Yew Man-tsun bye v. T. D. E. Pendered bye.

March 11: Iu Tak-cheuk bye v. J. W. Leonard bye.

Ng Sze-kwong, bye, to meet winner of the following tie on March 14:

March 14: Major W. B. Stevenson v. S. A. Hussain.

March 14: Iu Tak-lam v. C. W. Cheong.

March 15: E. C. Fincher v. M. K. Lo.

[March 15: above 2 winners meet.]

March 15: F. B. Grose v. Hung Hwai-chen.

March 16: D. S. Green v. F. A. Redmond.

[March 16: above 2 winners meet.]

Second Quarter.

March 14: N. Trambitzky v. Capt. E. H. Jacobs Larcom.

March 14: P. R. Remedios v. W. J. Howard.

[March 15: above 2 winners meet.]

March 14: Lau Man-kwong v. H. R. Edwards.

March 17: T. Edo v. A. B. Raworth.

[March 17: above 2 winners meet.]

March 17: H. D. Rumjahn v. H. Unoto.

March 17: H. Akiyama v. G. Miskim.

[March 17: above 2 winners meet.]

Third Quarter.

March 17: S. Fujita v. Horace Lo.

March 18: S. S. Hussain v. W. B. Cornaby.

[March 16: Winners to meet.]

March 18: J. Cassumbhoy v. T. Sakiki.

March 18: T. Honda (holder) v. E. G. Howard.

[March 18: above 2 winners meet.]

March 18: J. M. Razack v. S. E. Green.

March 19: Yew Man-kit v. Ng Sze-chung.

[March 21: above 2 winners meet.]

March 19: Lim Peng-chin v. Col. C. Russell Brown.

March 19: T. Edo v. Dr. D. J. Valentine.

[March 21: above 2 winners meet.]

Fourth Quarter.

March 19: Cheong Tuck-wing v. Rev. F. R. W. Alexander.

March 20: M. W. Lo v. Major C. Willson.

[March 22: above 2 winners meet.]

March 20: F. T. Orr v. C. C. Stark.

Capt. E. W. Morris bye to meet winners of former tie on March 14.

March 23: S. A. Rumjahn bye v. A. H. Crook.

March 11: C. Chea bye v. R. M. Henderson.

OPEN DOUBLES.

First Quarter.

March 14: Major W. B. Stevenson and Rev. F. P. W. Alexander, bye v. Capt. E. W. Morris and Lt. Sturgess, bye.

March 14: Yew Man-tsun and Yew Man-kit, bye v. J. Abe and H. Unoto, bye.

March 15: E. G. Howard and Capt. E. H. Jacobs Larcom, bye v. Cheong Tuck-wing and Hung Hwai-chen, bye.

March 15: F. A. Redmond and Dr. B. E. Tottenham, bye v. A. K. Mackenzie and A. C. T. Bowker, bye.

Second Quarter.

March 16: Ng Sze-kwong and Ng Sze-chung, bye v. Major C. Willson and G. R. Sayer, bye.

March 16: R. K. Valentine and Dr. D. J. Valentine, bye v. A. B. Raworth and J. D. Humphreys, bye.

March 18: R. F. Strange and D. S. Green, bye v. S. E. Green and W. Hyde, bye.

March 10: T. Edo and E. Edo v. F. J. Remedios and C. A. Barretto.

March 11: T. Honda and H. Akiyama v. Dr. J. R. Craig and W. L. B. Sparrow.

[March 16: above 2 winners meet.]

Third Quarter.

March 16: L. M. S. Lloyd and W. A. Nowers v. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn.

Iu Tak-cheuk and Lau Man-kwong to meet winners of former tie on March 21.

March 17: S. S. Hussain and S. A. Hussain, bye v. J. W. Leonard and N. Trambitzky, bye.

March 17: H. J. Armstrong and S. M. Gerrard, bye v. M. K. Lo and Horace Lo, bye.

March 18: Y. A. Wahab and S. A. Hamdi, bye v. R. M. Henderson and A. Breanley, bye.

Fourth Quarter.

March 23: Col. C. Russell Brown and H. Forster, bye v. E. Grimble and H. Owen Hughes, bye.

March 21: E. D. Sousa and F. Pinta, bye v. N. Evans and A. H. Crook, bye.

March 23: T. M. Razack and J. Cassumbhoy, bye v. T. D. E. Pendered and G. Miskim, bye.

March 22: E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher v. A. B. Raworth and J. D. Humphreys, bye.

HOME SOCCER.

LEICESTER DEFEAT THE ARSENAL.

London, Dec. 10. In division I of the English Football League, Leicester beat Arsenal by 2 goals to 1 (at Leicester). Reuter.

NO HOPES.

BOXER'S VIEW OF GENE TUNNEY.

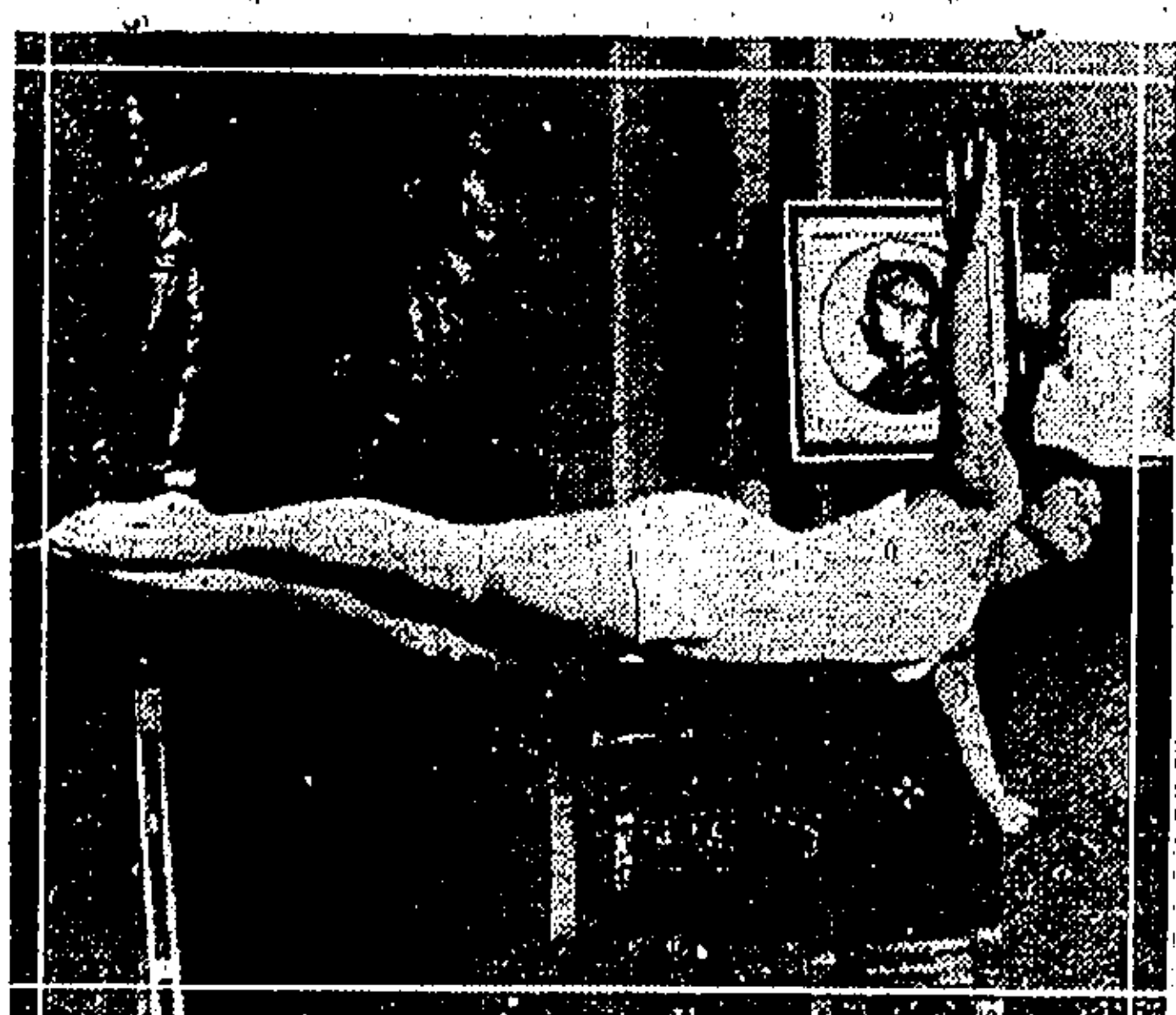
New York, Feb. 8. Tom Henney, boxing champion of New Zealand and South Africa who is here, has caused a great surprise. He admits he has no hopes of "conquering Gene Tunney." Associated Press.

PURCHASED HONOUR.

Rome, Jan. 10. A sensation was created in Italian society by the announcement to-day that five men had been arrested including two high functionaries, Signor Tosco and Signor Dellavalle, on a charge of having sold the diploma of the Grand Officer of the Crown of Italy, to a merchant for 500,000 lire. Other arrests are expected.

In their (home) league cricket match against the Police to-morrow at 2 p.m., the Indian R.C. 2nd XI will be represented by:—Sirdar Khan (cap. tm), J. S. Acker, M. P. Madar, S. A. R. Ismail, V. T. Mans, H. D. Rumjahn, A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, I. Hassan, A. B. Sufial, A. Rahmin.

LADY DIVING CHAMPION GRACE.



Miss Helen Mearns, ladies' diving champion, at the Olympic Games, in a statuesque pose, which will be reproduced in bronze.

H.K. UNIVERSITY.

THE BISHOP OF LONDON'S LETTER.

There is some sense in the Bishop of London's view that part of the remitted Boxer Indemnity should be devoted to education of Chinese at the University of Hong Kong, remarks the "China Express and Telegraph" of Jan. 13. The accounts made up to Dec. 31, enable the Board to repeat the final payment of 23 per share, plus the bonus of 22 per share, carry forward practically the same amount as was brought in, and write off, as a year ago, \$1,100,000 from Bank premises account. Also, the addition to silver reserve, is increased from \$600,000 to \$650,000, thus showing that the total profits actually increased. The market immediately responded to the welcome news with a demand for the shares, and raised them by three points. With the interim, the total dividend for the year is 23 per share, the same as has been paid ever since 1919. Of course, so widespread are the interests of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, that the chaos in China exercises little or no influence on its earning capacity. If it hits in Hankow, it benefits the Bank elsewhere.

"LA BOHEME."

FILM VERSION AT THE QUEEN'S.

"La Boheme" is among the most popular of all operas—it used to be King Edward's favourite, and there is no doubt the film version now being screened in the Queen's Theatre will give the greatest pleasure, alike for the popularity of the story and the polish of the production. The picture is brilliantly acted. Lilian Gish fills the role of Mimì, John Gilbert that of Rodolphe, and Renee Adoree that of Musette, supported in the other roles by George Hassell, Roy D'Arcy, Edward Horton, Catherine Vidor and Matilde Comont. The settings of "La Boheme" are on an adequate scale, which is only to be expected, when it is known that the production comes from the famous Metro-Goldwyn studio. The director is King Vidor, who has several outstanding pictures to his credit.

10 MEN SAVED.

MOTOR FISHING BOAT WRECK.

Ten Formosan fishermen were rescued by the French s.s. "Tonkin" on Wednesday, shortly before noon. On Tuesday the ship left Haiphong for Hong Kong. In Lat. 20.14 N., Long. 110.40 E., the "Tonkin" met a wrecked Japanese motor fishing boat, from which the ten men were taken off and brought here.

SHIPS IN PORT.

This morning there were 76 ocean-going merchant vessels in Hong Kong harbour. Exactly half of this total lay the British flag. During the 24 hours ended at 5 a.m. to-day there were 11 arrivals and 10 departures.

The Turkish Government has signed a contract with the Chantiers Français, of St. Nazaire for the repair of the battle cruiser "Sultan Selim" (formerly the famous "Goeben").

ST. DAVID'S DAY.

LOCAL OBSERVANCES PLANNED.

LOCAL SOCIETY'S DINNER.

The annual dinner of the St. David's Society, Hong Kong, will be held at the Savoy Hotel on Tuesday, March 1, 1927, St. David's Day, at 7.45 p.m., and the Committee hope that as many members as possible will attend and bring with them one or more guests.

Members are requested to inform the Hon. Secretary at an early date of their intention to attend the dinner, of the number, names and addresses of their guests and to forward at the same time a remittance to cover the cost of the tickets.

Attendance at the Cenotaph. A wreath will be laid on the Cenotaph on behalf of the Society at 11 a.m., on St. David's Day, March 1, 1927. Members will meet at the Cenotaph at 10.50 a.m., and a full attendance is requested.

A copy of the Rules, as altered by the Committee pursuant to resolutions passed at the recent annual general meeting, has been circulated to members. A limited number of badges in the form of a leaf have been made and can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary (Mr. G. S. Hughes-Jones) at \$2.00 each.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVAL.

Passengers disembarked at Hong Kong from the "President Taft" on Feb. 11 from Manila:—Mr. R. B. Blakney, Mrs. Che Lum, Mr. Pon Ah-law, Mr. Pon Joseph, Miss Dolores Cortes, Mr. G. De Vivano, Rt. Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Duppy, Miss Soladad Felipe, Miss Alice Jaffe, Mrs. E. M. Kuhn, Miss Ann Lewis, Mr. Buford Long, Mr. Sidney A. Moss, Mr. G. Moolchand, Mr. A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. V. Martinez, Mr. Teruchi Ohmura, Mr. Ong Bing-ka, Mr. Ow-Yong Pun She-lo, Miss Harriet Ritwell, Mr. So Kim, Miss Volo Sycip, Master Aug Mose, Mrs. J. L. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Yu Keh-tai, Miss Yu Sooking, Miss Yu So-an, Miss Yu So-hui, Master Yu Hing-kian.

HONG KONG, BANK.

The dividend announcement of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation came as a welcome re-assurance to shareholders in this country and others who have been inclined to take a rather pessimistic view of conditions in China, says the "China Express and Telegraph" of Jan. 13. The accounts made up to Dec. 31, enable the Board to repeat the final payment of 23 per share, plus the bonus of 22 per share, carry forward practically the same amount as was brought in, and write off, as a year ago, \$1,100,000 from Bank premises account. Also, the addition to silver reserve, is increased from \$600,000 to \$650,000, thus showing that the total profits actually increased. The market immediately responded to the welcome news with a demand for the shares, and raised them by three points. With the interim, the total dividend for the year is 23 per share, the same as has been paid ever since 1919. Of course, so widespread are the interests of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, that the chaos in China exercises little or no influence on its earning capacity. If it hits in Hankow, it benefits the Bank elsewhere.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. I. s.s. "Shirala" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 5, a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here to-day. The P. & O. s.s. "Nagpore" is due here to-day. The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" (Capt. A. J. Hoeken, R.N.R.) will leave here for Victoria Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on Feb. 10. The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" is due here on Feb. 25. The m.v. "Delhi" (Swedish East Asiatic Co. Ltd.) left Antwerp on Jan. 25, and is due here on or about March 2.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Knowley Hall," are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after Feb. 14, will be subject to rent. Consignees of cargo are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after Feb. 14 on the s.s. "Bansider," will be subject to rent.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG FEBRUARY 11, 1927, 10.30 a.m.

| Names. | Hong Kong Stock Exchange. | Hong Kong Sharebrokers' Association. | Share & Real Estate Brokers' Society. |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| T.T. on London | 2/04 7/8 | 2/04 7/8 | 2/04 nom. |
| T.T. on Shanghai | | | |
| Banks. | | | |
| Hongkong Bank | 110 1/2 n. | 118 1/2 sa | 100 n |
| do. London | 120 n | | 119 n |
| Chartered Bank | 121 n | 121 n | |
| Mercantile Bank, A. & B. | 132 n | 132 n | |
| do. | 137 1/2 n | 137 1/2 n | |
| P. & O. Bank | 134 n | 134 n | |
| Bank of East Asia | 84 n | 70 n | 76 n |
| Marine Insurance. | | | |
| Canton Insurance | 655 1/2 60 sa | 650 1/2 60 sa | 3650 b |
| China Underwriters | 90 cts | 90 cts | 80 cts. b |
| North China Insurance | 145 n | 140 n | |
| Union Insurance | 285 n | 284 n | 285 b |
| Yangtze Insurance | 40 M. n | 40 n | |
| Fire Insurance. | | | |
| China Fire Insurance | 100 b | 200 b | |
| H.K. Fire Insurance | 615 b | 615 b | 615 b |
| Shipping. | | | |
| Douglases | 30 b | 30 b | 30 b</ |

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MUSIC • DRAMA • FILMS.

SCOTS BASSO.

MR. WILLIAM HAUGHAN
COMING BACK.

Local music lovers will be glad to learn that Mr. William Haughan, the popular Scottish singer, intends to visit the East again and will give a concert in Hong Kong.

Following are some opinions of the Canadian papers on his performances:

"A most welcome return to Montreal—Haughan is happy in possessing that very rare thing, a really big and round bass voice and as he uses it with great skill and has a great power of humorous expression, it would be very difficult to get better interpretations than his of the songs that are in his collection."

"Montreal Daily Star," Oct. 8, '26

"Welcomed back to Montreal by a large audience—with his resonant bass voice, Haughan comes high in the scale of vocal artists, which, coupled with genuine ability as a raconteur, gives his performance an individual favour—excellent himself last evening—Showed himself a master in this line, giving to his interpretations a fire and pathos that had an electrifying effect on his listeners."

"Montreal Gazette," Oct. 8, '26

"Haughan demonstrates his genius—displays exceptional talent—unique surely in the realm of song is the position occupied by Haughan. A supreme artist—Revealed the comic character of his genius, his exceptional talents, his rare mimetic powers, his extraordinary dramatic instinct—Amazing art—prodigious gifts—More than any other of the great singers he lives—the song—He was superb. He must be heard and seen to be appreciated."

"Winnipeg Free Press," Dec. 13, '26

BRITISH FILMS.

BIG STUDIOS NEAR
LONDON.

Britain's dream film city is at last materialising.

For years schemes for better studios always ended in talk. Passers-by who saw the huge boarding at Elstree, twelve miles north of London, which announced that British National Pictures would build the largest motion picture studios in the world on the site, thought that that, too, would come to nothing.

But since the beginning of the year an army of workmen have been busy, and now great buildings are springing up as 'symbols' of the coming revival in the British film industry.

The sets for "Madame Pompadour," are the first to be erected in the studios. Before the end of the year the film, which has already been booked for distribution in America, will be completed.

Next year work will start on several other pictures, including one "super" production which it would be impossible to make except in a studio of the latest type. Gradually Elstree will rival Hollywood in the United States and Neu Babelsberg in Germany, as the world's greatest film city. In geographical position Elstree already possesses advantages over Hollywood. It is only twelve miles from London, where every film distributor has offices. Hollywood, on the other hand, is thousands of miles from the distributing centres in New York.

The sunshine of California was a great asset in the early days of film making, but now nearly every "outdoor" scene is taken inside the studios. Big studios are far more important than fine landscapes.

The eight studios and their grounds at Elstree will occupy an estate of 40 acres. Each studio is to be 300 feet long and 100 feet wide.

To Rival Hollywood

Many miles of steel girders are needed for the frame work, and thousands of square yards of corrugated iron for the roof. The walls are being covered with 7,500 square yards of asbestos sheeting.

For the foundations of the studio about 6,500 tons of soil were excavated, and the steel pillars sunk in concrete beds ten feet below the level of the floor. The floor itself is constructed of nearly three thousand tons of concrete.

These studios open endless possibilities to the producer. He will be able to erect huge sets of castles, forests and cathedrals in the buildings. He can film a fire engine dashing along, or a regiment of soldiers on the march.

He will be independent of the sun or rain. Huge arc lights of the latest pattern will give him a better light for photography than the sun, while tanks make it easy to produce water scenes—whether they are of a river or a rainstorm.

If he should require a bigger water scene—a specially constructed three-and-a-half acre lake in the grounds will enable him to "shoot" it without the trouble and expense of going to the seaside, while the art of the scene painter will enable him to sail ship to the "Southern Isle" or the "Antarctic."

The wildest of mob scenes or the hottest of battles can be staged in the grounds, for there is room for a crowd of 100,000.

Suites of dressing-rooms will be attached to each studio, also a projecting room in which the director can see the result of his work a few hours after a scene has been shot.

In the grounds are large offices, restaurants and bungalows in which the permanent staff will live. Elstree is, indeed, already the germ of a film city.

The studios have been built by British National Pictures, but they will be let out to other companies. The wonderful equipment of the studios, which includes overhead railways for moving scenery and "props," will enable pictures to be made at a saving of 25 per cent. The co-operation of other companies will enable a still greater saving to be effected.

The whole of the equipment, except for a few "freak" items, has been made in England.

The first carillon to be permanently installed in London was inaugurated with a peal of bells from the premises in Bond Street where it has been set up.

UNWANTED FILMS.

NOW BEING SHOWN TO
CROWDED HOUSES.

"Cinderella," the delicate and lively film version of the universally known fairy tale, being shown at matinees at the Capitol, Haymarket, is proving surprisingly popular. This film was shown more than a year ago privately by the Film Society to its members, but though it was warmly praised then, not a single film-renter could be induced to offer it in the customary way to cinema owners, and most of the renters refused even to look at it.

The management of the Capitol, even, were rather dubious about giving "Cinderella" a trial at Christmas, but the result has been the packing of the house every afternoon with parents and a good sprinkling of children, all of whom show the keenest appreciation of its exquisite beauty, its wit, its ingenious "magic" and its novelty. Laughter and delighted comments punctuate its showing, and that spontaneous applause which is rare in cinemas greets its closing pictures.

German Version.

The story is a German 18th century version of the legend; the wicked step-mother and her two naughty daughters are ill-natured but handsome instead of repulsive. Pretty, shy Cinderella's fairy god-mother is a local witch who captures mischievous folks in jam-jars, blows up a gust of wind which shakes down silver leaves to clothe Cinderella in a shimmering party gown, and flings a handful of band-aids over the eyes of each of the peeping courtiers trying to get a glimpse of Cinderella's betrothal kiss.

Most of the scenes take place in and about two 18th century chateaux; and no lovelier pictures have ever been seen on the screen than those which show the Prince and all the Court pursuing the frightened heroine at night through the palace gardens, rockets and quaint lanterns flitting lighting up marble terraces, in which can be seen the sheen of satin costumes as they run hither and thither through the dreamlike beauty of the shadowy grounds.

Now that "Cinderella" has definitely proved so much to the public taste, perhaps other cinema owners will give it a showing. There are too few pictorially lovely films for our picture audiences to afford to do without this one.

G.B.S. IN FILM.

PROLOGUE TO VERSION OF
"SAINT JOAN."

Mr. George Bernard Shaw has agreed to a three-reel extract—equal to a screen performance of about forty minutes—from his play, "Saint Joan," being produced in the British Phonofilm process, which makes the "movies" with the "talkers."

He further agrees to the exhibition of the film, if the result appears to him to be satisfactory.

Miss Sybil Thorndike will be invited to play her stage part, and it is probable that a spoken prologue, on "Shavian" lines, will be delivered by Mr. Shaw, provided, as he remarked, that the process "falls to resurrect the deep, Irish brogue which distinguishes his gramophone voice."

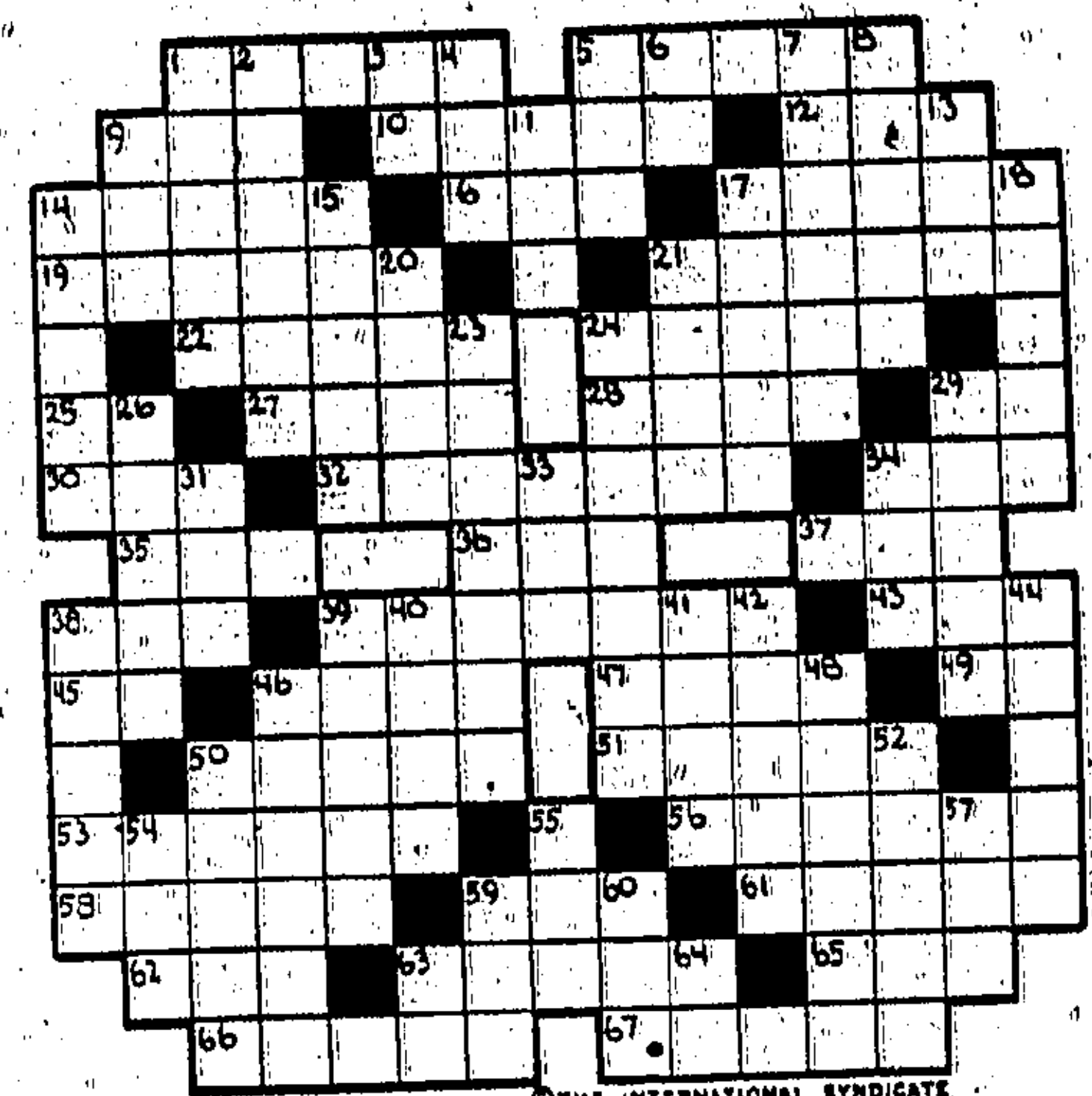
Mr. W. R. Newman, the producer concerned, states that the dramatist was unwilling to have any considerable portion of any of his existing plays filmed, lest that should interfere with their stage appeal, but Mr. Shaw volunteered the opinion that talking-films, which he had heard in Italy, would eventually render the stage obsolete.

"In every rehearsal," said Mr. Shaw, "there is at least one perfect piece of acting and elocution, of which the stage-producer can retain only a mental impression, but the Phonofilm producer, it seems to me, can secure and preserve this bit of perfection. That is why I regard the invention as dangerous to the interests of the stage."

Sir Walford Davies, the composer, has become interested in the work of Annie Lucille Fanning, an 11-year-old girl, who is now in the London Orphan School at Watford, and has composed the words and music of a carol called "Little Baby Jesus."

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Gourd-like fruit | 46-Brownish-gray color | 17-To immerse |
| 2-Unit of weight for gems | 47-Statute | 18-Rapacity |
| 3-Territory (abbr.) | 48-Conjunction | 19-Prize meaning "hair" |
| 4-Dread | 49-Degrave | 20-An ill-bred fellow |
| 5-Also | 50-Build | 21-Mariner's instrument |
| 6-Allowance | 51-Nonsense | 22-To roll, as a hoop |
| 7-Crooked | 52-Sailboat (pl.) | 23-Groups of cattle |
| 8-Sharp, swift pain | 53-Auctions | 24-Groups of cattle |
| 9-Givers | 54-Part of the face | 25-Wireless |
| 10-Part of a locomotive | 55-Air | 26-Pale |
| 11-Forest product (pl.) | 56-By means of | 27-A Japanese fish |
| 12-Trips | 57-Carries on | 28-Short, sharp sound |
| 13-Prefix, in | 58-Regular (abbr.) | 29-Tiresome people |
| 14-Identities | 59-Cut | 30-To scoff |
| 15-Flower | 60-Alloy of copper and zinc | 31-Auditory organs |
| 16-Prefix meaning "again" | | 32-Lived |
| 17-Noly argument | VERTICAL | 33-12 dozen |
| 18-Assemblage of different substances | 1-Intended | 34-Venerable |
| 19-Writing tablet | 2-Mistake | 35-Scrubs thoroughly |
| 20-To undermine | 3-Concerning | 36-Measure of distance (pl.) |
| 21-A color | 4-Weep | 37-Sounds |
| 22-Seed-case | 5-Like | 38-Knock |
| 23-A fowl | 6-Gerb | 39-To wave to and fro |
| 24-Plaited | 7-Labors | 40-Wooden pin |
| 25-A greedy animal | 8-A pair | 41-To jolt |
| 26-Personalizing suffix | 9-Nash's boat | 42-Meek |
| | 10-Unit | 43-Pigment |
| | 11-Snake | 44-The elder (abbr.) |
| | 12-Rever | |

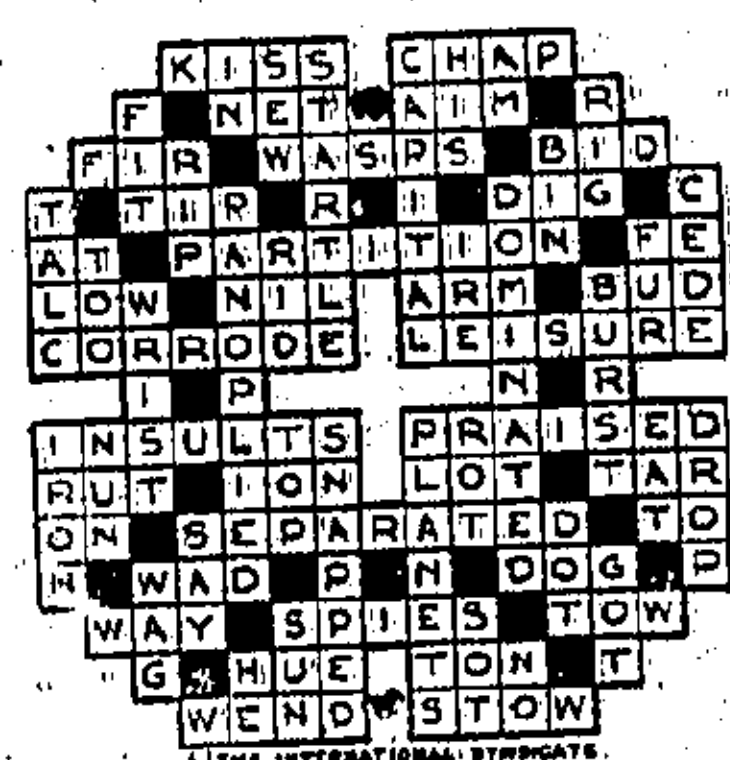
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

GREATEST TREASURE.

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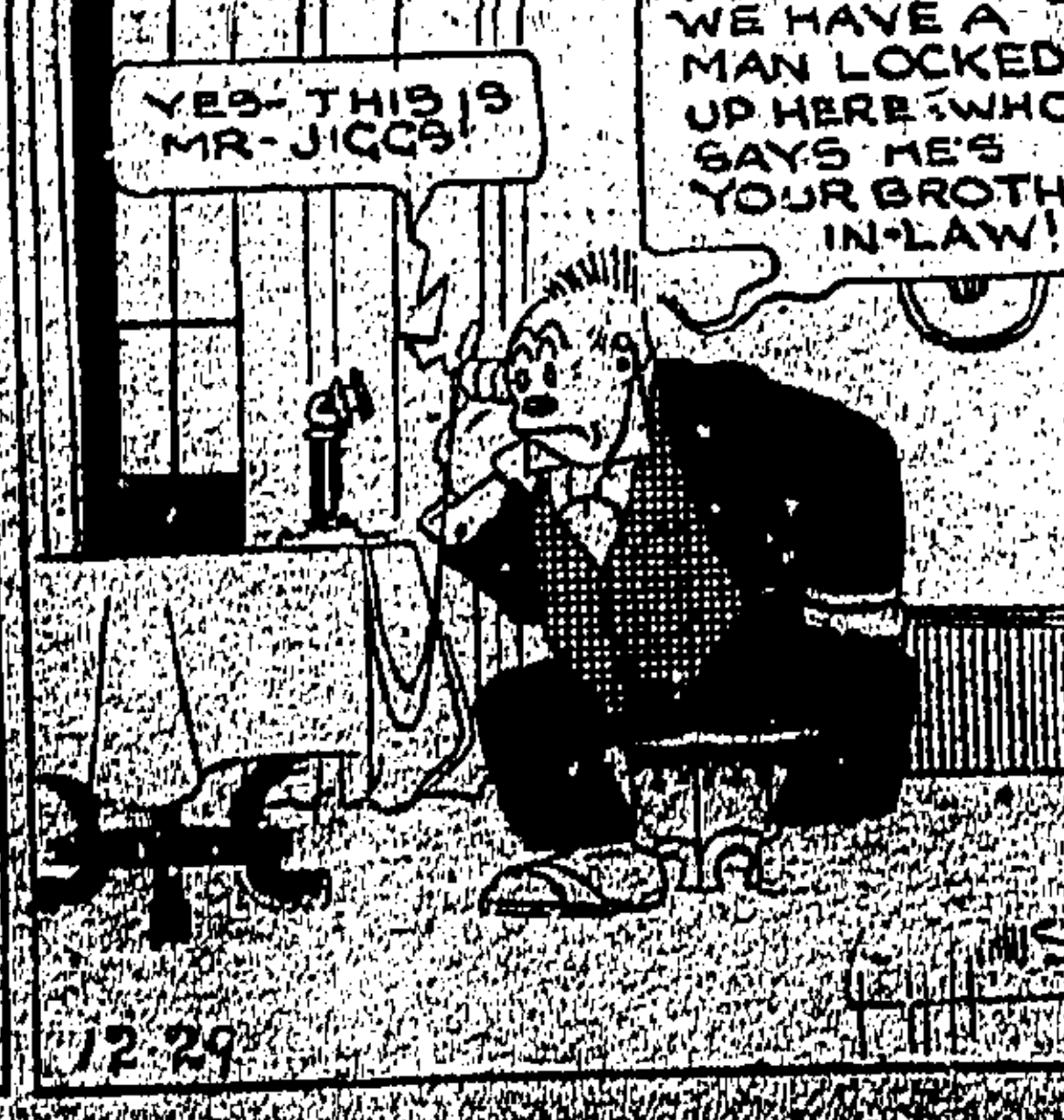
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Frederick Batchelor, London, former president of the Royal Institution of Irish Architects, F.R.I.B.A., R.H.A.

Miss Theodora Booth, writer, Great Neck, N.Y., with the United States Army and Marine Corps.

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Lt.-Col. H. F. Burton, retired Indian Army officer, Kew Gardens, Surrey.

Mrs. Colin H. Campbell, Winnipeg, widow of Hon. Colin

RUDE?

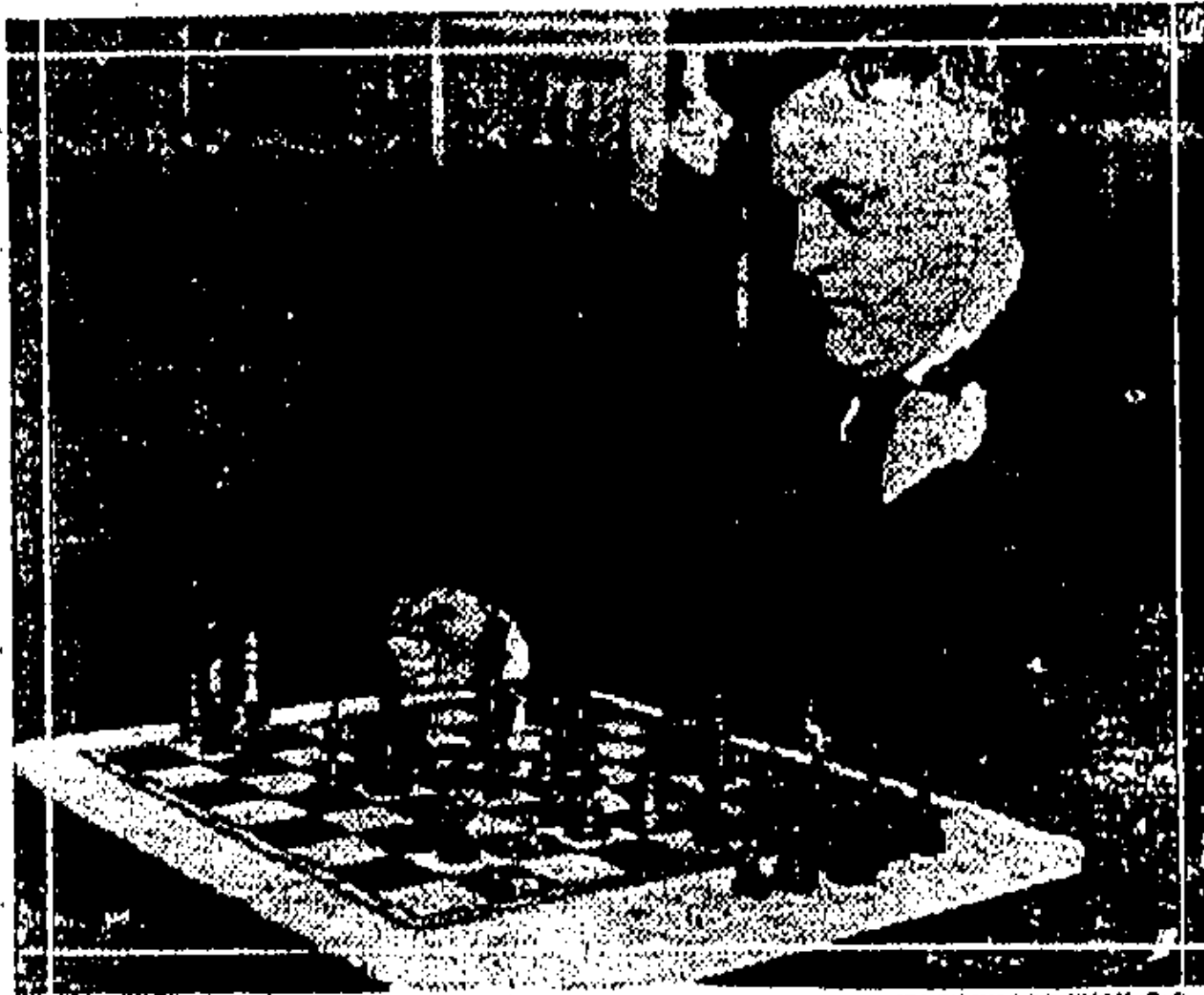
GOOD NAME OF LONDON POLICE.

London.—The public continues to be mystified by the memorandum issued by Brigadier-General Sir William Horwood, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, who urged the force to be more civil to the public. No explanation has been given, but it is generally supposed that it refers to motorists' complaints. Automobile Association officials warmly praise the police for their courtesy, any say that if there are exceptions they must be very few.

When a motorist was summoned at Tottenham Court he remarked that the policeman had been polite, and the magistrate commented "Of course, they all are."

"P.C. Chesterfield."

A special representative of the "Daily News" has vainly searched London in an effort to find a rude policeman, but the constabulary's



Bogoljubow, who won the championship in the international chess tournament held recently in Berlin, seen playing at the board.

COULDN'T FORGET.

THE STORY OF A SECRET MARRIAGE.

Miss Naomi Royde Smith, the dramatic critic and author, who received a legacy of \$5,000 from Mrs. Hamilton-Fellowes, a daughter of the late Sir Frederick Wills, of the Imperial Tobacco Co., has disclosed the fact that she was secretly married to the American actor, Ernest Milton, who appeared in Australia in "Potash and Perlmutter."

She says she was so impressed by his acting that she was unable to forget him. She went to see him repeatedly, and finally wrote a play, in which he was able to star. It was produced at the Everyman Theatre, and they met frequently at the rehearsals.

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Mr. W. H. Cornett, minister Santa Monica, Los Angeles, Graduate of Queen's University and Free Church College, Edinburgh. Just retired after 36 years in the ministry.

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David Greenwood, merchant, Cardiff.

Dr. J. E. Hetherington, physician, Cody, Canada, ex-Speaker House of Assembly, ex-provincial secretary-treasurer, ex-acting minister of Lands and Mines.

William B. Holt, managing director of Blackpool Entertainments, Ltd., Blackpool.

Rev. G. W. McPherson, author, Yonkers, N. Y. Writing series of travel articles appearing in "The Watchman," "The New York Examiner" and "The Western Recorder."

Archdeacon and Mrs. Paterson-Smyth, Montreal.

P. Shaw-Jeffrey, M. A., Oxford University lecturer and inspector of schools to H.M. Board of Education, Whitehall, London.

G. Shrubbsall, managing director of insurance company, Croydon, England.

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Capt. T. H. Worwood, J.P. F.R.G.S., Kamloops, B.C., Canadian delegate to the 14th International Congress of Navigation at Cairo in December 1926.

DUKE CHANGES CREED.

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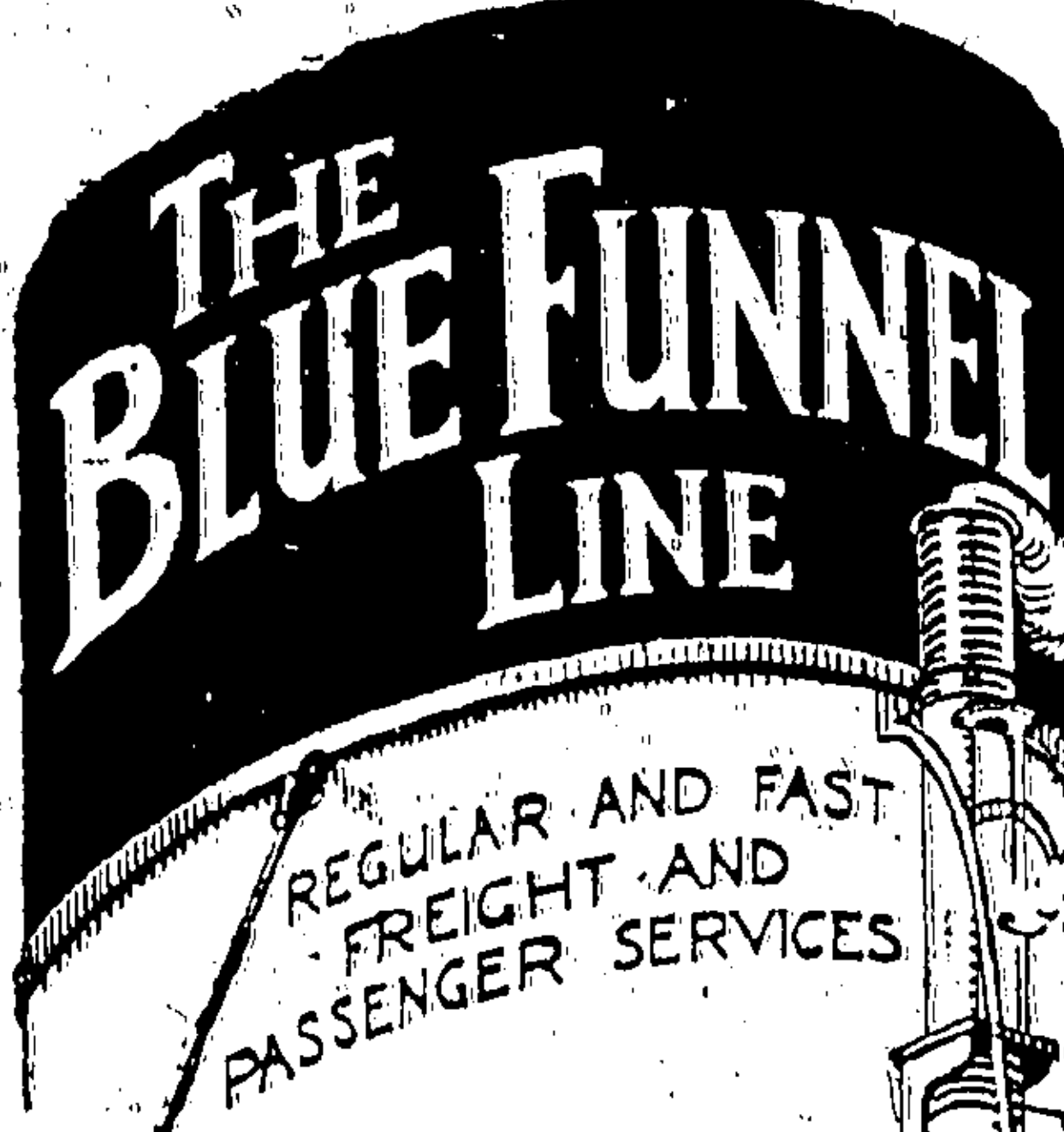
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| Shanghai | 12 | Suiyang. |
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| Europe via Negapatnam, papers only, London | 13 | Laisang. |
| 13th Jan. | MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14 | |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai | 14 | President Monroe. |
| TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 | | |
| Manila | 15 | Präs. McKinley |
| THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17 | | |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai | 17 | President Wilson. |
| FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18 | | |
| Australia & Manila | 18 | Tango Maru. |

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| For | FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11 | Per |
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| Hainan | 11 | 3.30 p.m. |
| Swatow and Wuchow | 11 | 4 p.m. |
| Shanghai | 11 | 4 p.m. |
| Shanghai & Japan | 11 | 5 p.m. |
| 13th Jan. | SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12 | |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt, & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 13th March. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. | 12 | |
| Saigon | 12 | 10 a.m. |
| Bangkok | 12 | 10 a.m. |
| Straits & Calcutta. Parcels 10 a.m. | 12 | |
| Letters 11 a.m. | 12 | |
| Swatow, Amoy & Foochow | 12 | Noon |
| Fort Bayard | 12 | 2 p.m. |
| Saigon | 12 | 4.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan & Honolulu & S. Mikage Maru | 12 | 3.30 p.m. |
| Francisco—due S. Francisco 9th March. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. | 12 | |
| Amoy | 12 | 5 p.m. |
| SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13 | | |
| Swatow, Amoy & Formosa | 13 | 8.30 a.m. |
| Swatow | 13 | 9 a.m. |
| Shanghai | 13 | 9 a.m. |
| Formosa | 13 | 9 a.m. |
| MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14 | | |
| Amoy | 14 | 5 p.m. |
| Bangkok | 14 | 5 p.m. |
| Manila | 14 | 5 p.m. |
| Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 25th Feb. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (15th) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. | 14 | |
| TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 | | |
| Swatow, Amoy & Foochow | 15 | Noon |
| Straits & Calcutta. Parcels noon. | 15 | |
| Letters 1 p.m. | 15 | |
| Amoy | 15 | 2 p.m. |
| Wei Hai Wei | 15 | 2 p.m. |

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A MAN AND A BOY IN TROUBLE.

LAWYER AND CLIENT.

When a Chinese youth and a middle-aged man were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning with the illicit possession of 10 taels of non-Government opium, the man admitted having given the opium to the youth to deliver to the house of a friend.

The friend, who was brought to Court by the Police was told that the defendant having pleaded "guilty" his presence was not required.

His Worship fined the man \$1,000 or six months and ordered the boy to receive eight strokes with the birch.

Later in the morning Mr. d'Almada Remedios arrived in Court and informed his Worship that he had been instructed to defend in the case.

"Oh," replied his Worship, "but I have dealt with it. The man admitted responsibility and was fined \$1,000 or six months."

Mr. Remedios: According to my instructions he says he knew nothing about it.

Mr. Lindsell said that he would have the man fetched from the jail, giving orders accordingly.

Further discussion followed as a result of which Mr. Remedios said that he had come to the conclusion that he had been instructed to defend the third man.

"Oh, he's all right. He left the Court without a stain on his character," retorted the Magistrate.

FORGED NOTES.

POSERS FOR AN OPIUM SMOKER.

MAGISTRATE'S QUESTIONS.

The case in which a Chinese was charged with possessing ten spurious \$1 bank notes and uttering one was concluded before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning. His Worship convicting the accused in sentencing him to three months' hard labour on each charge, the sentences to run consecutively.

In reply to his Worship, the defendant said that he had come to Hong Kong on the advice of a friend in order to procure some "fluid medicine" to cure his opium habit. Prior to leaving Canton he had changed \$25 Canton money into Hong Kong currency, and the bad notes were included in the change.

Mr. Lindsell: The real point you have to explain is why, when you have an amount of small money in your pocket, you go to two cigarette stalls and change a \$1 note in payment for a packet of cigarettes costing a few cents. You have also to explain why the forged notes were found together in your pocket, while the good \$5 and \$1 notes were in your purse.—That is untrue.

Div. Insp. P. Grant said that he was present when the accused was searched.

The accused was convicted and sentenced as stated.

"HANOI" CHARGES.

FURTHER WEEK'S REMAND MADE.

When the "Hanoi" piracy case was called in Mr. Lindsell's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning, Chief Det. Insp. T. Murphy stated that the "Hanoi" was due to arrive in Hong Kong on Sunday morning and would leave again on Monday at daylight.

Mr. Lindsell: That doesn't help me very much.

Insp. Murphy said that he had been instructed to ask for a week's remand as the Police were not in favour of delaying the vessel.

Mr. Lindsell: I see. Have no papers arrived from the French Government?

Insp. Murphy: Only some supplementary papers. We cannot proceed with the extradition formalities.

A week's remand in custody was ordered.

HYSTERIC DANCER.

A message from Nice says that an Englishman, Captain Patterson, dashed into a rough sea and rescued Isadora Duncan, the Polish dancer, who had fallen off the promenade at Des Anglaises.

The incident followed, on the holding of a studio party, at which Isadora remonstrated with the Russian accompanist Seroff. The latter stated that the dancer hysterically rushed towards the sea, wearing a flowing purple Greek robe.

LISBON REVOLT.

SUPPRESSED BY SEVERE BOMBARDMENT.

AERIAL BOMBS DROPPED.

London, Feb. 10.

Owing to the censorship this situation in Portugal is still obscure.

The Portuguese Embassy in London has made a statement declaring that the rebellion in Oporto was suppressed on Monday, and minimising the gravity of the situation, but other messages allege that the rebels are gaining the ascendancy in Lisbon, where ships have been wirelessly warned not to sail, and that the insurrectionary movement is spreading everywhere.—Reuter.

Navy Involved.

Lisbon, Feb. 10.

A portion of the Republican Guard, the police and some naval units supported the revolution while began at noon on Monday. The insurgents erected barricades at various points in the capital. The Government replied ordering the loyal detachments of the garrison to intensively bombard the rebels with field guns and machine guns, and at the same time cruisers' crews, whose loyalty was suspected, were promptly disarmed.

Meanwhile, the rebels have seized the naval arsenal and the general post office, thus stopping news from leaving the capital.

Late last night the insurgents entrenched in the arsenal surrendered after forty-four hours of heavy bombardment, in the course of which an aeroplane dropped three bombs, terribly damaging the arsenal.

The casualties, including non-combatants were very heavy and property was extensively damaged.

Lisbon is now very quiet and order has been restored throughout the country.—Reuter.

All Quiet Now.

Rugby, Feb. 10.

The British destroyer "Windor" to-day reports from Oporto that all has been quiet there since early on the eighth. No British shipping has been damaged and several ships already loaded are leaving in the immediate future. The wireless message from the British cruiser at Lisbon indicates that the Government forces have obtained possession of the arsenal there.—British Wireless Service.

TRAGEDY IN TEMPLE.

SLEEPING DEVOTEES CRUSHED AT IPOH.

Ipoh, Jan. 31.

A terrible tragedy occurred at the Hindu cave temple adjoining the Ipoh Marble Works at five o'clock this morning when a portion of the rock forming the overhanging roof unexpectedly descended on several sleeping devotees crushing two men.

One splinter bounced over three children and killed a woman in the far corner. About ten others were unscathed. Two early risers just escaped.

TRANS-ATLANTIC WIRELESS.

New York, Feb. 10.

The first month's operations of the trans-Atlantic wireless telephone was a commercial success. The receipts satisfactorily exceeded the expenditure. The proportion of American to British calls was 9 to 5.—Reuter's American Service.

Service to be Extended.

Rugby, Feb. 10.

The Trans-Atlantic wireless telephone service will be extended to the States of Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin on Saturday.—British Wireless Service.

THE WORLD COURT.

Washington, Feb. 10.

The Senate by a vote of 59 to 10 has rejected a motion to rescind the resolution adhering to the World Court. Senator Borah was of the opinion that the action was unnecessary as foreign Governments had already indicated that they would not accept the American reservations to adherence to the Court.—Reuter's American Service.

Paris, Feb. 10.—Receiving the Spanish delegates to the Tangier Conference, M. Briand said that he wished for the realisation of an agreement along the lines of the treaties already existing.—Havas.

STUFFY COLDS.

MOTHERS, why allow "stuffy" and "stuffy" wheezy breathing to distress your babies when quick relief follows the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy? It checks the development of a cold and contains no narcotics. It is good too for croup and whooping cough. Every mother should have it for sale everywhere.

WHITE FLAG.

SURRENDER OF PORTUGUESE REBELS.

LISBON BECOMES NORMAL.

Rugby, Feb. 10.

A wireless message received this afternoon from the cruiser "Comus," which earlier in the week proceeded to Lisbon as a precautionary measure in case the interests of British nationals were endangered during the revolutionary movement in Portugal, states that the white flag has been hoisted over the marine barracks, and except for occasional shots, everything is now quiet.

There have been no British casualties. The police are resuming their duties, the public services appear to be becoming normal, and a few trams are running. The Portuguese Embassy in London has also received a telegram stating that the rebellion has been suppressed.—British Wireless Service.

Reaper's Harvest.

Oporto, Feb. 10.

The casualties in the fighting are now estimated at 76 dead and 350 wounded, while 37 officers have been arrested.—Reuter.

Lisbon, Feb. 10.

The death roll here is estimated at 198. The rebels assassinated Major Americo Olavo, a former Minister of War.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S TRIBUTE.

TELEGRAM TO JAPANESE NATION.

Rugby, Feb. 10.

The British Government has sent the following telegram to the Japanese Government:

"On the occasion of the service of prayer and recollection in Westminster Abbey for His Imperial Majesty the late Emperor of Japan His Majesty's Government desire to renew the expression of their profound sympathy with the Emperor, Imperial Family, Government and people of Japan in their sorrow.

"His Majesty's Government pray that the reign of His Imperial Majesty the present Emperor may be fruitful of blessing for his people and may confirm and strengthen the long friendship of our two nations."—British Wireless Service.

NOTICES.

CYMEITHAS DEWI, SANT

(HONG-KONG.)

(St. David's Society, Hong Kong.)

THE ANNUAL DINNER of the Society will take place at the Hotel Savoy on TUESDAY, March 1st, 1927, at 7.45 p.m. Tickets \$5.00 each. Members are invited to attend and bring guests and are requested to inform the undersigned as soon as possible of the number, names and addresses of their guests and to forward at the same time the cost of the tickets.

G. S. HUGH-JONES,

Hon. Secretary,

9, Queen's Road Central,

Hong Kong, 11th Feb., 1927.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, at 3.30 p.m. SATURDAY, February 26th, 1927, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 18th February to SATURDAY, 26th February 1927, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

KAN TONG PO,

Chief Manager.

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